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About BIBS

BIBS (Babies in Buscot Support) is a registered charity formed in 1987 that supports babies and their families in the special care baby unit (Buscot Ward) at the Royal Berkshire Hospital in Reading. BIBS is run by parents and carers of ex-Buscot babies who have been through the experience of having a premature or full term but ill baby.

What does BIBS do?

Equipment

BIBS fundraises to help supply the latest technology and equipment that will aid in the care and development of babies on Buscot Ward.

Support

BIBS funds two weekly NCT drop in sessions on the ward, a postnatal counsellor and a feeding specialist. We also operate a parent support evening once a week.

Facilities

BIBS manages and refurbishes parent and family facilities on the ward such as a family lounge and overnight accommodation.

Awareness

BIBS aims to raise awareness of the issues faced by parents and babies on the unit. We work with the hospital and other organisations to make this most stressful of journeys as smooth as possible.

What we've been doing

Hot cots

In 2014 BIBS have replaced all 11 hot cot water mattresses used on Buscot Ward at a cost of just under £19,000. Hot cot mattresses are used to help maintain a baby's temperature after making the move from an incubator to a cot.



Travel incubator

In 2013 BIBS purchased a state of the art travel incubator costing £35,000. This is used to safely transfer sick or premature babies from the delivery suite to Buscot Ward.

Refurbishment

BIBS recently refurbished Buscot's two family overnight accommodation rooms.



How can you help?

As a volunteer led charity, BIBS relies on supporters and fundraisers to continue our work. We're always looking for people to help and get involved.

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BIBS 2014 Reading half marathon team