Ward C2 looks after children from 0-16 years of age.

Some of the children have cancer or a blood disorder and some of the children are coming for an operation. There are 17 beds on C2 so 17 children can be looked after at one time.

How can I find C2?

You can find C2 by coming through the main entrance and walking past the hairdressers and across the corridor to the C and D lifts. Walk past the lifts and turn left at the end. C2 is in front of you. When you get to the door, press the bell and the nurses will ask you who you are and then let you in.

Where will I be sleeping?

You will be shown to a bed where you will be able to get comfy and put some of your things in the cupboard to keep them tidy. Please look after all of your belongings as the nurses are not able to look after anything for you. One of your parents is able to sleep on a bed next to where you are sleeping.
Can I have visitors?
Your mum and dad will be able to visit you at any time during your stay. Any other visitors, like your grandparents, are allowed until 20:00 when the lights get turned down for sleep. As there is not much space next to the beds, only two people are allowed to visit you in your bed at one time. If your mum, dad or any other visitor is poorly, they will be asked not to come and see you or to go home.

Who will be looking after me?
Every day you will be seen by a doctor or a nurse who will tell you what is going to happen and to check that you are feeling ok. You will be looked after by a nurse who will make sure that you have everything you need. The nurse will take your temperature, heart rate, breathing rate and oxygen levels every few hours and make a record. The nurses will also help if you are uncomfortable or in pain.

What time are the meal times?
Breakfast is at 8am (on a trolley near the play room).

There is a cook on the ward who cooks on demand for the children Monday to Friday 10:00 to 19:00 so that you can choose what you want to eat. When the cook is not around, there is a hospital food trolley at midday ad 17:00.

Mum or dad staying with you, will be able to have breakfast with you in the morning but they have to bring their own food in for other times. There is a fridge that they can put food into and they can use a microwave to heat food up if they want to for themselves.

What can I do to stop getting bored?
The TV by your bed is free to use but turns off at 21:00. The TV also has radio stations so you could sit and listen to some music whilst you are in bed. There is a play room on the ward for you to spend some time in if you want to. There is an outside play area that you can go in. The school room and the teachers can give you some fun work sheets to keep you busy. The play specialist and nursery nurses on the ward will be able to find some things for you to do.
You can bring your favourite soft toy with you if you want to as well as any books and games that you like from home. You can bring in your own hand held computer but you will have to look after it yourself.

There is a room for your parents to watch some TV and eat their dinner.

**Can I use my mobile phone?**
Yes mobile phones can be used on C2 as long as they are on silent/vibrate and are used discreetly so that they do not disturb others who are resting.

**How can I get in touch with ward C2?**
The telephone number is 01223 217231.

**The address is:**
Ward C2, Box 5, Addenbrooke’s Hospital,
Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 0QQ

Please do not bring flowers on to the ward as they are not allowed on C2.

**Where can I get more information?**
If you are coming in to hospital to have an operation there is a leaflet available which explains what happens. If you want a copy please ask the nurses and they will be able to tell you where you can find it.
We are now a smoke-free site: smoking will not be allowed anywhere on the hospital site.

For advice and support in quitting, contact your GP or the free NHS stop smoking helpline on 0800 169 0 169.

Other formats:

If you would like this information in another language, large print or audio, please ask the department where you are being treated, to contact the patient information team: patient.information@addenbrookes.nhs.uk.

Please note: We do not currently hold many leaflets in other languages; written translation requests are funded and agreed by the department who has authored the leaflet.

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