Care if they were there for a long time, but she was also a great support for parents. This post continues in Bristol Children's Hospital and is still being funded by the Heart Circle.

### THE NURSERY

30. The Heart Circle provided cots, recliner chairs and bed/chairs for parents, fitted cupboards, toys, scales, a children's bathroom etc.

### **QUIET ROOM**

31. We negotiated the conversion of a store into a quiet room and furnished it to a high standard with Ercol furniture, carpetting and attractive curtains. It was not an ideal room but provided a much needed amenity.

### **KITCHEN**

32. A kitchen for parents was set up at the end of the patients dining room where they could prepare light meals for themselves and for their children at any time of the day or night.

# **LAUNDRY**

33. An industrial wash/drier was installed on the Unit for the use of parents.

## FACILITIES FOR CHILDREN IN INTENSIVE CARE

34. The Heart Circle made a designated area for children with a large, attractive mural on the wall and appropriate curtains. We also provided special cots, recliner chairs, TVS videos, Tumbleform chairs, pushchairs etc. We also purchased two mobile telephones.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

35. We provided small items of equipment if they were considered to be for the improved care of children and beyond the budget of the NHS. In 1992 Dr Jordan asked if we would make a substantial contribution to the purchase of a Doppler/Echo Machine. We agreed to provide £25,000 out of £48,000, the remainder coming from the surgeons fund. This proved