

# Parental Involvement Policy

We believe that children benefit most from pre-school education and care when parents and pre-schools work together in partnership.

Our aim

- To support parents as their children's first and most important educators.
- To involve parents in the life of the pre-school and their children's education.
- To support parents in their own continuing education and personal development.

## Method

In order to fulfil these aims:

- we are committed to ongoing dialogue with parents to improve our knowledge of the needs of their children and to support their families;
- Through access to written information and through regular informal communication, we inform all parents about how the group is run and its policies. We check to ensure parents understand the information which is given to them;
- we encourage and support parents to play an active part in the management of the pre-school;
- we inform all parents on a regular basis about their children's progress;
- we involve parents in the shared record keeping about their children - either formally or informally - and ensure parents have access to their children's records via the Family app;
- we provide opportunities for parents to contribute their own skills, knowledge and interests to the activities of the group;
- we inform parents about relevant conferences, workshops and training;
- we hold meetings in venues which are accessible and appropriate for all;
- we welcome the contributions of parents; in whatever form these may take;
- We inform all parents of the systems for registering queries, complaints or suggestions and check to ensure these are understood. All parents have access to our written complaints procedure; and
- We provide opportunities for parents to learn about the pre-school curriculum and about young children's learning, in the pre-school and at home.
- we will keep parents informed about how EYFS is delivered in the setting and we can signpost parents to where they can find out more information
- We will consult with parents to capture their opinions regarding satisfaction of our setting.
- We will ensure that all parents are included.
- We will ensure that information for parents is made available in ways which are accessible to them.
- We encourage parents to be involved in settling their child into the setting.
- We aim to consult parents about the activities we provide and we will share ideas for home learning.