

10 Working in partnership with parents and other agencies policy

Alongside associated procedures in 10.1-10.2 Working in partnership with parents and other agencies, this policy was adopted by *Sutton St James Preschool*.

Aim

We as a setting actively promote partnership with parents and recognise the importance of working in partnership with other agencies to promote the well-being of children and their families. This includes signposting parents to support as appropriate.

Objectives

- We believe that parents are children's first and most enduring educators and our practice aims to involve and consult parents on all aspects of their child's well-being.
- We also recognise the important role parents must play in the day-to-day organisation of the provision.
- We consider parents views and expectations and will give the opportunity to be involved in the following ways:
 - Sharing information about their child's needs, likes, achievements and interests obtained at the settling in meeting.
 - Settling in their child to the agreed plan according our settling in procedures.
 - Contributing with ideas or resources as appropriate to enhance the curriculum of the setting.
 - Contributing to assessment with information, photos and stories that illustrate how their child is learning within the home environment, taking part in day-to-day family activities.
 - Completing parent questionnaire.
 - Attending parent evenings, or simply participating in social activities organised within the setting.
 - Ofsted and setting contact details are displayed on the parent notice board for parents who have a complaint that cannot be resolved with the setting manager in the first instance, or where a parent is concerned that the EYFS standards are not being maintained.

Partnership and signposting to other agencies

We are committed to ensuring effective partnership with other agencies including:



- Local authority early years services about the EYFS, training and staff development.
- Local programmes regarding delivering children's centres or the childcare and early education element of children's centres.
- Social welfare departments regarding children in need and children who need safeguarding or for whom a child protection plan is in place.
- Child development networks and health professionals to support children with disabilities and special needs.
- Local community organisations and other childcare and early education providers.
- Ofsted and setting contact details are made available to other agencies who have a complaint that cannot be resolved with the Setting Manager in the first instance, or where a parent is concerned that the EYFS welfare standards are not being maintained.

Legal references

Childcare Act 2006

Education Act 2011

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