

Parental/Family Involvement Policy

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

Our aims

- To support parents/carers as their children's first and most important educators.
- To involve parents/carers in the life of the Preschool and their children's education.
- To support parents/carers in their own continuing education and personal development.
- To provide an excellent standard of care to **everyone** in the community.

In order to fulfil these aims:

- We are committed to ongoing communication with parents to improve our knowledge of the needs of their children and to support their families;
- We are committed to supporting adult education e.g. parenting courses, speech and language development, positive parenting.
- We inform all parents about how Telford Preschool is run and its' policies. A folder containing all our policies is available for parents to view and parents are encouraged to make comments.
- We encourage and support parents to play an active part in the running of the Preschool. We are always open to suggestions for improvement and new ideas. The board of trustees meet on a termly basis to review Preschool activities and plan for the future. we inform all parents about their children's progress;
- We ask parents to recognise their role in the relationship with the Preschool by formally agreeing to their responsibilities in the parental agreement. This includes information about communication with the Preschool; payments; outings; use of photography; security; confidentiality and needs to be read in conjunction with associated policies and documents.
- We involve parents in the shared record keeping about their children - either formally or informally - and ensure parents have access to their children's written records;
- We raise their awareness of religious festivals during the year.



- Parents are encouraged to contribute their own skills, knowledge and interests to the activities of the group linked to the topic for the term;
- We inform parents about relevant conferences, workshops and training;
- 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.
- We provide opportunities for parents to learn about the Preschool curriculum and about young children's learning, in the Preschool and at home

All parents are encouraged to comment on and contribute to the amendment and development of policies.

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