

## PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY

We believe that children benefit most from nursery education and care when parents and nursery 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 nursery and their children's education.
- To support parents in their own continuing education and personal development.

### IN ORDER TO FULFILL 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 nursery is run and its policies.

- We check to ensure parents understand the information which is given to them.
- We inform all parents on a regular basis about their children's progress.
- We involve parent in the shared record keeping about their children – either formally or informally – and ensure parents have access to their children's written records.
- We provide information about opportunities for parents to contribute their own skills, knowledge and interests to the activities of the nursery.
- We inform parents about relevant conferences, workshops and training.
- We consult with parents about the times of meetings to avoid excluding anyone.
- We provide information about opportunities for being involved in the nursery in ways which are accessible to parents with basic skills needs, or those for whom English is an additional language.
- We hold meetings in venues which are accessible and appropriate for all.
- We welcome contributions from parents, in whatever form these may take.