



Equipment & Resources policy

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Premises – 3.58

Risk assessment – 3.64

We believe that high quality early years care and education are promoted by providing children with safe, clean, attractive, developmentally appropriate resources, toys and equipment. We aim to provide children with resources and equipment that help to consolidate and extend their knowledge, skills, interests and aptitudes.

In order to achieve this, we:

- Provide play equipment and resources that are safe and, where applicable, conform to safety standards and regulations.
- Provide a sufficient quantity of equipment and resources for the number of children in our care.
- Provide resources that promote all areas of children's learning and development.
- Select books, equipment and resources that promote positive images of people of all colours, cultures and abilities, are non-discriminatory and avoid racial and gender stereotyping.
- Provide play equipment and resources that promote continuity and progression, provide sufficient challenge and meet the needs and interests of all the children.
- Provide man-made, natural and recycled materials that are clean, in good condition and safe for the children to use.
- Provide suitable furniture for children and adults.
- Give children the opportunity to independently choose and select resources and equipment.
- Regularly check and risk assess all toys and equipment. We repair, or replace any unsafe, worn out, dirty or damaged equipment.
- Keep an inventory of resources and equipment.
- Use an inventory to review equipment and resources so they can support a range of activities across all areas of play, learning and development.
- Plan the provision of activities and appropriate resources so that a balance of familiar, and new exciting challenges is offered.