

***This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.***



## **Equipment Policy**



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, interest and aptitudes.

In order to achieve this aim we to:

- Provide play equipment and resources that are safe and where applicable conform to the BSEN safety standards or Toys (Safety) Regulation (1995).
- Provide a sufficient quantity of equipment and resources for the number of children.
- Provide resources that promote all areas of children's learning and development, which may be child or adult led.
- Select books, equipment and resources that promote positive images of people of all nationalities, cultures and abilities, are non-discriminatory and avoid racial and gender stereotyping, this will be supported by the pre-school's nominated ENCO.
- Provide play equipment and resources that promote continuity and progression, provide sufficient challenge and meet the needs and interests of all the children.
- Provide manmade, natural and recycled materials that are clean, in good condition and safe for the children to use.
- Provide furniture that is suitable for children and furniture that is suitable for adults.
- Store and display resources and equipment where children can independently choose and select them.
- Regularly check all resources and equipment that are available at each session and ensure they are put away at the end of each session. We repair, clean, or replace any unsafe, worn out dirty or damaged equipment.

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*"For I know the plans I have for you... plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11*