



Equipment and resources policy

Statement of intent

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.

Aim

We aim to provide children with resources and equipment that help to consolidate and extend their knowledge, skills, interests and aptitudes.

Methods

In order to achieve this aim, we:

- 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 race, religion, cultures and abilities, and are non-discriminatory avoiding 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 children;
- provide manufactured, 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;
- evaluate the effectiveness of the resources, including the children's opinions
- teach children to respect the equipment and resources and tidy these away once play has finished. this is encouraged by the use of photos on resource boxes so children can match the resource to the correct boxes.
- Provide toys, equipment and resources in accordance with Article 3, (UNCRC 1989) all actions concerning the child should take full account of his or her best interests. The State is to provide adequate care when parents or others with responsibility fail to do so.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Pippins Pre-School and Nursery

Held on Thursday 19th October 2023

Signed on behalf of the Management Trustee Directors

Role of signatory (e.g. chairman etc.)

Chairman