

# **Mitchell Walk Playgroup**

## **Parental Involvement Policy**

### **Statement of intent**

We want the children and parents to be happy in the setting and to feel secure and comfortable with the staff. We like to encourage parents to join us in setting when their child has settled in. We strongly believe that children benefit more when they can see the parents and Mitchell Walk staff working together. We do work in very close partnership with all parents.

### **Our Aim**

- To give the best support possible to parents and their children.
- To get parents involved in the education of their children.
- To get parents involved in the setting.
- To be here to support the parents in their own rights and to work alongside the parents to better educate their children.

### **Method**

- We have regular feedback sessions with all the parents to discuss how the child is progressing and to find out if the parents have any concerns.
- We are completely committed to work alongside parents to gain better knowledge of each individual child and their needs.
- We encourage the parents to take an active role in the management side of the playgroup. This is by asking them to join our committee.
- We give the parents the opportunity to contribute their own skills to the setting. This includes lessons in foreign languages.
- We ensure parents have ample opportunity to speak to their child's key worker. They are available before and after setting or a time can be arranged.
- We send our staff on relevant workshops and courses to help parents and their children in all areas.
- We hold our meetings in the grounds. Children are welcome and toys are supplied. This helps parents that have no other childcare.
- We have our meeting in a venue where it is accessible to all.
- We always welcome any contribution a parent would like to make.

- All parents have access to our policies and procedures.
- We inform parents about up coming meetings via, e-mail, text, spoken and posters.
- Our feedback sessions provide opportunities for parents to learn about the curriculum.
- The parents have the contact details of the Chairperson if they have any concerns they do not wish to discuss with the playgroup supervisor.
- The playgroup supervisor can be reached via telephone or e-mail.
- The supervisor will discuss with parents any concerns they may have about the playgroup and their children.

This Parental Involvement Policy was adopted at a meeting of Mitchell Walk Playgroup held on

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