

## Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement: Information and Records

Providers must maintain records and obtain and share information to ensure the safe and efficient management of the setting, and to help ensure the needs of all children are met.

## 10.2 Admissions

### Policy statement

It is our intention at Little Tewkes to make our setting accessible to children and families from all sections of the local community. We aim to ensure that all sections of our community have access to the setting through open, fair and clearly communicated procedures.

### EYFS key themes and commitments

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
1.1 Child Development 1.2 Inclusive Practice	2.2 Parent as Partners 2.3 Supporting Learning 2.4 Key Person	3.2 Supporting Every Child 3.3 The Learning Environment	4.4 Areas of Learning and Development

### Procedures

- We at Little Tewkes ensure that the existence of our setting is widely advertised in places accessible to all sections of the community.
- We ensure that information about our setting is accessible and provided in written and spoken form .
- We will provide translated written materials where language needs of families suggest this is required, as well as access to an interpreter. Where necessary, we will try to provide information in Braille, or through British Sign Language.
- We arrange our waiting list in birth order. In addition, our policy may take into account the following:
  - the age of the child, with priority given to children who are eligible for the free entitlement – including eligible two year old children;
  - the length of time on the waiting list;
  - the vicinity of the home to the setting;
  - whether any siblings already attend the setting; and
  - the capacity of the setting to meet the individual needs of the child.
- We keep a place vacant, if this is financially viable, to accommodate an emergency admission.
- We describe our setting and its practices in terms that make it clear that it welcomes both fathers and mothers, other relations and other carers, including child minders.

- We describe how our practices treat each child and their family, having regard to their needs arising from their gender, special educational needs, disabilities, social background, religion and ethnicity or from English being a newly acquired additional language.
- We describe how our practices enable children and/or parents with disabilities to take part in the life of the setting.
- We monitor the gender and ethnic background of children joining the group to ensure that our intake is representative of social diversity.
- We make our Valuing Diversity and Promoting Equality Policy widely known.
- We consult with families about the opening times of the setting to ensure we accommodate a broad range of families' needs.
- We are flexible about attendance patterns to accommodate the needs of individual children and families, providing these do not disrupt the pattern of continuity in the setting that provides stability for all the children.
- We monitor the needs and background of children joining our setting on the Registration Form, to ensure that no accidental or unintentional discrimination is taking place.
- Failure to comply with the terms and conditions may ultimately result in the provision of a place being withdrawn.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of \_\_\_\_\_ *(name of provider)*

Held on \_\_\_\_\_ *(date)*

Date to be reviewed \_\_\_\_\_ *(date)*

Signed on behalf of the provider \_\_\_\_\_

Name of signatory \_\_\_\_\_

Role of signatory (e.g. chair, director or owner) \_\_\_\_\_

**Other useful Pre-school Learning Alliance publications**

- Seasonal Hello Posters (2006)