



# Settling in nursery policy

## Statement of intent

We want children to feel safe, stimulated and happy in the nursery and to feel secure and comfortable with staff. We also want parents/carers to have confidence in both their children's well being and their role as active partners with the nursery.

## Aim

We aim to make the nursery a welcome place where children settle quickly and easily because consideration has been given to the individual needs and circumstances of children and their families.

## Methods

- Before a child starts to attend the nursery, we use a variety of ways to provide his/her parents/carers with information. These include written information (including our prospectus and policies), displays about nursery activities and individual meetings with parents.
- During the half-term before a child is enrolled, we provide opportunities for the child and his/her parents/carers to visit the nursery.
- When a child starts to attend, we work with his/her parents/carers to decide on the best way to help the child to settle into the nursery.
- We use pre-start visits and the first session at which a child attends to explain and complete with his/her parents/carers the child's registration records.