



### **Working in Partnership with Parents Policy**

It is very important for your child that we work in partnership. This will give your child continuity of care and (s)he will not become confused with different standards of behaviour and boundaries.

As parents, you are the central adults in your child's life and the ones making decisions on their behalf. We will endeavour to work closely with you to carry out your wishes for your child wherever we can. It is therefore important that we have an excellent communication system. We appreciate that as a working parent you may be in a rush to get to work in the morning, and in the evening you may be tired and need to pick-up and leave as quickly as possible. Due to this, we use an online system called Tapestry to record your child's key milestones and progress. We would request that you log in to your child's Tapestry record on a regular basis to view their progress and add comments of your own, which will help us to keep a clear line of communication. We are also more than happy to discuss your child and their care with you either in person or over the phone, at any time that is convenient to us both.

We would also appreciate it if you could inform us if there are any changes to contact numbers for yourselves, including work and mobile numbers and those of your emergency contacts.

As your child grows and develops issues will crop up that are very important for us to discuss so that we can work together and your wishes be incorporated into our care routine for your child. These could include weaning, pottling training, managing behaviour, starting (pre-)school etc.

If you wish us to incorporate a special activity into our routine, perhaps a festival or religious holiday that you celebrate please let us know.

If we have any concerns about your child's behaviour, development, eating etc. we will share them with you and if necessary work with you to seek support from outside agencies.

If you have any concerns or issues regarding the care we are providing for your child, please do let us know. Often a concern is a simple misunderstanding that can easily be resolved, un-aided it can fester and become a major issue.

We are very much looking forward to working in partnership with you to care for your child.