
Student placement policy (in the Nursery)

Statement of intent

This nursery recognizes that qualifications and training make an important contribution to the quality of the care and education provided by nursery settings. As part of our commitment to quality, we offer placements to students undertaking early years qualifications and training.

Aim

We aim to provide for students on placement with us, experiences which contribute to the successful completion of their studies and which provide examples of quality practice in early years care and education.

- We require students to meet the 'suitable person' requirements of Ofsted
- We require schools placing students under the age of 17 years with the nursery to vouch for their character.
- We supervise students under the age of 17 years at all times and do not allow them to have unsupervised access to children
- Students who are placed in our nursery are not counted in our ratios.
- We require students to keep our confidentiality policy
- We co-operate with student's tutors in order to help students to fulfil the requirements of their course of study.
- We provide students, at the first session of their placement, with a short verbal induction on how our nursery is managed, how our sessions are organized and our policies and procedures.
- We communicate a positive message to students about the value of qualifications and training.
- We make the needs of the children paramount by not admitting students in numbers, which hinder the smooth running of the nursery.
- We ensure that students placed with us are engaged in bona fide early years training which provides the necessary background understanding of children's development and activities.