1. Equality of opportunity

1.10 Supporting children with additional educational needs

We provide an environment in which all children, including those with additional educational needs, are supported to reach their full potential.

- We have regard for the SEND Code of Practice: 0-25 yrs.
- We ensure our provision is inclusive to children with additional educational needs.
- We support parents and children with additional educational needs and disabilities (SEND).
- We identify the specific needs of children with additional educational needs and disabilities and meet those needs through a range of SEND strategies.
- We work to create and maintain a positive partnership with parents and other agencies in meeting individual children's needs.
- We monitor and review our policy, practice and provision and, if necessary, make adjustments.

Procedures

- We designate a member of staff to be the Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO) and give his/her name to parents. Our SENCO is
 Georgie Handover
- We ensure that the provision for children with additional educational needs and disabilities is the responsibility of all members of the setting.
- We use the graduated response system for identifying, assessing and responding to children's additional educational needs.
- We ensure that parents are informed at all stages of the assessment, planning, provision and review of their children's education.

- We provide parents with information on sources of independent advice and support.
- We liaise with other professionals involved with children with additional educational needs and disabilities, including transfer arrangements to other settings and schools and implications for siblings and family members.
- We provide a broad, balanced and differentiated curriculum for all children with additional educational needs and disabilities.
- We use a system of planning, implementing, monitoring, evaluating and reviewing individual support plans (ISPs) for children with additional educational needs and disabilities.
- We ensure that children with additional educational needs and disabilities are appropriately involved at all stages of the graduated response, taking into account their levels of ability.
- We provide resources (human and financial) to implement our SEND.
- Where possible relevant training for parents, practitioners and volunteers will be provided.
- We raise awareness of any specialism the setting has to offer through our local offer, e.g. Makaton trained staff.
- We ensure the effectiveness of our SEND provision by collecting information from a range of sources e.g. ISP's, staff and management meetings, parental and external agency's views, inspections and complaints. This information is collated, evaluated and reviewed as necessary.

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