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Working with Parents and Carers Policy and Practice

Parents and carers are the most important people in a young child's life. We want to work in partnership with parents and carers to enhance and support their work at this very significant stage of development for their children. We want all parents and carers to feel welcome and to know that their contribution is valued.

To do this we will:

- Ensure that all new parents and carers are aware of the group's aims, policies and procedures through our Prospectus, welcoming letter, visits, website, noticeboard and Parent's Folder.
- Encourage parents and carers to become actively involved in the group in a practical way, if wanted, or through the Management Committee or through fund raising.
- Ensure that parents and carers are regularly informed about their child's progress, through termly open mornings/afternoons; verbally at the beginning/end of a Playgroup session, as appropriate, or through arranging an appointment at a mutually convenient time.
- Involve parents and carers in shared record keeping about their own child, verbally or from examples of work and play.
- Ensure that parents and carers are informed about meetings, with consultation about the times, venue etc.
- Provide opportunities for parents and carers to learn about the pre-school curriculum and about children's learning and development, through our newsletter, website and noticeboard.
- Where parents are separated, we will endeavour to share information about their child's progress, with both parents, if possible and appropriate.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of the Playgroup held on

Signed on behalf of the Playgroup

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