



Selecting and Use Of Furniture and Play Equipment Policy

The furniture and play equipment in the nursery will provide opportunities for children, to develop new skills and learn new concepts in the course of their play and exploration;

The layout will:

- Include child size furniture with harnesses as required
- Include wall and table top displays at child height
- Be aesthetically pleasing
- Be arranged in ways to help children feel secure and confident
- Be well laid out, and easily accessible to enable children to select their own resources.

Play Equipment and Resources will:

- Be of high quality, and appropriate to the ages and stages of development
- Be sufficient to enable each child to fully participate in activities
- Offer opportunities for each individual child to develop their physical, social, personal and intellectual skills
- Be presented in an imaginative way
- Enable each child to develop their own potential
- Be available to all children
- Will reflect equal opportunities.

Natural materials:

- There will be a good balance of play equipment which includes natural materials
- Sand and water play will be made available daily.

Outdoors:

- The outdoor area will be used effectively
- Children will be encouraged to play outdoors as often as possible
- Children will always wear appropriate clothing
- Indoor activities will incorporate the outdoor environment.