

Care, Learning and Play Policy

Children learn when they are in a safe and caring environment where they are stimulated through play.

Babies and young children develop best when they are in a caring relationship with an adult. A baby will learn to walk faster when they have a safe pair of arms to walk towards and learn to talk, when they have an adult listening and responding to them.

I will strive to provide your child with an environment that will be caring, fun and stimulating. I will follow the Early Years Foundation Stage guidelines when providing care for your child.

(Please ask me if you would like to see a copy of these documents)

I will provide activities that support the main learning areas and are broken down as follows

Prime Areas

Communication and Language

Physical Development

Personal, social and emotional development

Specific Areas

Literacy

Mathematics

Understanding the World

Expressive arts and design

These activities will include:

- *Dressing up clothes
- *Books and Videos
- *Small world toys
- *Construction toys (lego, duplo etc)
- *Pretend play (toy kitchen etc)
- *Water play
- *Arts and Crafts
- *Outings
- *Cooking

*Gardening

*Outdoor play and equipment

As your child's keyworker I will regularly observe your child. This will enable me to make very simple plans on how I can help your child move onto the next stage of their development. I will discuss with you how I plan to implement these.

If there is a particular activity that you would like me to do with your child, please let me know. I am very happy to support activities that you are doing at home or events that have happened. For example if you have been to a wedding I can continue this theme by providing the children with material to use as wedding clothes and help them understand through books and other resources.

Childminder's signature: _____ Date: _____