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Equipment and Resources Policy

Policy statement

Early learning and education is promoted by providing children with resources and equipment that reflect children's ages and stages of ability. Following their interest, knowledge and understanding.

First Step Pre-School Ltd will;

- All furniture, toys and equipment are kept clean, well maintained and in good repair and in accordance with BS EN safety standards or the Toys (Safety) Regulations (1995) where applicable.
- Equipment will be properly maintained and inspected in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. All electrical toys and equipment are subject to PAT (Portable Appliance Testing).
- Pre-school's equipment and resources reflect positive images with regard to culture, ethnicity, gender, and disability.
- Resources will, whenever possible, show men and women in a variety of roles and jobs, and people with different abilities being both active and creative. Examples of everyday life will portray people from a variety of family grouping and cultural backgrounds in a range of non-stereotypical roles.
- Pre-school provides a wide selection of books that are regularly updated, as financial resources allow. The selection will aim to include reference books, dual language books and a range of age-appropriate formats. Staff are encouraged to select books that reflect a multicultural society, challenge stereotypes, and which meet the educational needs of the children.
- Pre-school has play equipment and resources that promote continuity and progression, provide sufficient challenge and meet the needs and interest of all children. The selection will include made, natural and recycled materials that are stimulating, clean, in good condition and safe for the children to use. Furniture will be provided that is suitable for children and adults. The Committee (Chair) will ensure adequate insurance cover for Pre-school's resources and equipment.
- Outside Pre-school's opening hours, all equipment will be kept in a suitable and secure location, safe from unauthorized access or use. When discovered, defective or broken equipment will be removed immediately.
- The Pre-school Manager/Deputy is responsible for maintaining the Pre-school's Inventory Record and the Chair of the Management Committee is responsible for regularly reviewing the stock of equipment.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of

First Step Pre-school Committee

name of setting

Held on

29th Sept 2021

(date)

Date to be reviewed

Sept 2022

(date)

Signed on behalf of the management
committee

Signed copy available to view at pre-school

Name of signatory

Role of signatory (e.g. chair/owner)
