

## 1.9 Supporting children with Special Educational Needs and/or Disability (SEND) policy

## **Policy statement**

We provide an environment in which children with special educational needs, are supported to reach their full potential.

- We have regard for the DfES SEND code of Practice: 0-25 Years 2015
- We ensure our provision is inclusive to all children with SEND.
- We support parents and children with SEND.
- We identify the specific needs of children with SEND and meet those needs through a range of interventions and strategies.
- We work in 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 include:

- We designate a member of staff to be the Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo) and give his/her name to parents. Our current SENCo is Bernadett Patai.
- We ensure that the provision for children with SEND is the responsibility of all members of the setting.
- We ensure that our inclusive admissions practice ensures equality of access and opportunity.
- We use the graduated approach cycle of SEND support: assess, plan, do, review system for identifying, assessing and responding to children's SEND.
- We work closely with parents of children with SEND to create and maintain a positive partnership.
- 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 SEND and their families, including transfer arrangements to other settings and schools.
- We provide a broad, balanced and differentiated curriculum for all children with SEND.
- We use a system of planning, implementing, monitoring, evaluating and reviewing individual educational plans (IEPs) for children with SEND.
- We ensure that children with SEND are appropriately involved at all stages of the graduated approach, taking into account their levels of ability.
- We may contribute to a child's Education, health and care needs assessment if requested to do so by the Local Authority.

- We will implement a child's Education, health and care plan (EHCP) to support a child during the session.
- We use a system for keeping records of the assessment, planning, provision and review for children with SEND.
- We provide resources (human and financial) to implement our SEND policy.
- We provide in-service training for parents, practitioners and volunteers.
- We have a complaints procedure in place.

## **Legislation and Publications:**

- Special Educational Needs and Disability Code of Practice 2015
- Pre-school learning alliance book "SEND code of practice for the early years. (2014)

This Policy was adopted by The Bumblebee Children's Charity and will be reviewed yearly.

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