



Our Commitment to SEND

We pride ourselves in being an inclusive setting and we treat every child as the individuals that they are. We tailor our teaching and resources to improve the learning outcomes of all our children. We have a beautiful sensory room which has lots of sensory play equipment, lighting and calming music.

All of our staff wear communication cards that have pictures of different actions, requests, emotions and activities. These include snack time, story time, put your coat on, toilet, hungry, waiting, happy, sad and many more. We also have the use of visual timetables. These are used to help children to transition from one activity to another and it helps prepare them for what is coming up next.

We offer regular social communication groups. This is an adult lead activity with a small group of children who are good role models. These groups allow children opportunities for developing language, the rules of communication, turn taking, waiting, sharing resources, developing appropriate eye contact and developing relationships with peers.

We have a fully trained SENDCO, who is trained in communicating with signs and symbols and attends regular SENDCO network meetings, these help us keep up to date with new initiatives and guidelines as well as being a support network for the setting. Our SENDCO offers advice and support to staff and parents and has built a good relationship with other external professionals (e.g. Health visitor, Speech and Language Therapist, Local Authority Area SENDCO). Parental consent will always be obtained when involving any of these professionals. We welcome and encourage information sharing as a multi-agency team to ensure we plan appropriately to meet the child's individual needs whilst also supporting the family.

All staff have access to current training courses and are encouraged to attend where possible. If there is a particular area of SEND we need to gain further experience in then we will endeavour to seek out additional training and support for our staff. All of our staff are currently training to communicate with the use of signs and symbols.

If you would like further information on what we are able to offer or you have concerns about your child's needs then please get in touch with us, we would love to help.