

A guide to our registration on the early years register



It is a requirement of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) that we inform parents about the EYFS and where they can find more information. The EYFS is the statutory framework for all early years providers in England. Ofsted inspect providers using the EYFS and we must comply with the requirements.

The EYFS (revised for September 2021) contains 3 sections:

- **Learning and development** requirements which cover the educational programmes - the 7 areas of learning – and tell us about how we must support children’s learning.
- **Assessment** requirements – for early years providers, the statutory requirement is to complete a Progress Check at 2 for all children between the ages of 2 and 3 years.
- **Safeguarding and welfare** requirements which cover the following areas of our provision:
 - Child protection and safeguarding – we are required to protect the child from harm and must know what to do if we are concerned a child is being abused.
 - Suitable people – information about suitability checks. All people living or working on the premises over the age of 16 must have appropriate checks and an Ofsted suitability letter.
 - Staff qualifications, training, support and skills – qualifications and training legislation.
 - Key person – every early years child must have a named key person.
 - Staff / child ratios – the ratios we must comply with and the times when we can exceed usual ratios.
 - Health – how we must protect children’s health and wellbeing, including arrangements for recording and reporting accidents, injuries and medication administration.
 - Managing behaviour – we must promote good behaviour in positive ways.
 - Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment – we must ensure the setting, equipment and resources are safe and suitable for use by the children and keep staff safe.
 - Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) – we must commit to being inclusive and welcoming to all children and their families. We must comply with the SEND Code of Practice and be aware of our responsibilities under the Equality Act 2010.
 - Information and records – the information we must ask for from parents and the records we must keep about them and their child. Note document retention periods are detailed in the EYFS as ‘a reasonable period of time’ and further explained in latest data protection legislation.

You can find a copy of the latest version of the EYFS on this link –

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/974907/EYFS_framework_-_March_2021.pdf.

If you have any questions about the EYFS or how it is delivered in the setting, please ask. Thank you.

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