

MANEA PRESCHOOL

Equipment and resources policy

At Manea Pre-school we believe that high quality early years care and education are promoted by providing children with safe, clean, attractive, developmentally appropriate resources, toys and equipment.

We aim to provide children with resources and equipment that help to consolidate and extend their knowledge, skills, interests and aptitudes.

Methods

In order to achieve this aim we:

1 Provide play equipment and resources that are safe and and where applicable conform to the BSEN safety standards or Toys (Safety) Regulation (2011)

2 Provide a sufficient quantity of equipment and resources for the number of children, whilst still encouraging turn taking and sharing

3 Provide enough resources to promote all areas of children's learning and development, which may be child or adult led

4 Select books, equipment and resources that promote positive images of people of all colours, cultures and abilities, are non-discriminatory and avoid racial and gender stereotyping

5 Provide play equipment and resources that promote continuity and progression, provide sufficient challenge and meet the needs and interests of all children

6 Provide natural, made and recycled materials that are clean, in good condition and safe for the children to use

7 Provide furniture that is suitable for children and furniture that is suitable for adults

8 Store and display resources and equipment where children can independently choose and select them

9 Regularly check all resources and equipment that are available and ensure they are put away at the end of each session. We repair and clean, or replace, any unsafe, worn out, dirty or damaged equipment

10 Provide adequate insurance cover for the setting's resources and equipment

11 Plan the provision of activities and appropriate resources so that a balance of familiar equipment and resources and new exciting challenges are offered

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