



# Netherlee Nursery Class

## Parental Involvement



### Aims

- To encourage parents/carers to become active partners of Netherlee Nursery.
- To establish and maintain an open communication system between Netherlee Nursery and parents/carers.

### Objectives

- To schedule formal parent/teacher or keyworker meetings twice per year.
- To communicate with parents through the school website, emails and written letters when appropriate.
- To involve parents/carers in the daily life of the nursery.

### Methodology

- Netherlee Nursery welcomes and encourages parents/carers to be actively involved in the important task of the children's educational development. Parents who regularly visit the nursery should have a PVG check completed.
- Formal parent/teacher evenings are arranged twice during the school year, in October and then again in February. Parents are also offered to meet their child's key worker during nursery session times on the same occasions as parent teacher evenings.
- Parents are kept informed about their children's learning as the children's learning profiles are available to parents all year round. They are formally sent home twice a year and parents of pre-school children are given a Summative Report.
- Monthly Newsletters share information about what's been happening in nursery and of forthcoming events. These newsletters are emailed to parents, but parents can request a paper copy if they wish. In addition the newsletter can be viewed on our school website under the nursery class tab. I Can statements will be included in newsletter at the start of each planning block.
- Parents are emailed a weekly information sheet which gives up to date information on which building their child's group will be in, staff information, key events and student information. It also gives parents an overview of particular interests that children have been developing. This 'Week Sheet' is also available on the school website and is displayed in both Nursery buildings. Parents can also request a paper copy.
- As parents are the first educators of their children, we ask them to complete an All About Me pro forma when their child starts nursery. This forms the start of the Learning Books we have for each child. We also gather information from parents when they bring their child to visit the nursery and if they take up the offer of a Home Visit prior to the start of nursery.
- We hold a termly drop coffee and chat session where parents can come and chat to promoted staff and their child's key worker about any nursery issues. This can also be a forum where parents get to know each other in a very informal group.
- Parent's views are continually sought after to allow Netherlee Nursery to further develop the service we offer them and their children.
- Planning and I Can statements are displayed in the entrance areas of both nurseries.
- We offer parents and children the opportunity to take Travelling Ted on holidays or outings and when they return, share their experiences with the children.
- Parents with interesting jobs, special interests or particular talents can share their experiences with children during nursery sessions.
- Parents/Carers have the opportunity to have an informal chat with their child's key worker at the beginning or end of each session.