



Netherlee Nursery Class

Settling New Children



Aims

- To ensure all children's needs are met while transitioning into nursery.
- To promote the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child Article 3 "Adults must do what's best for me".

Objectives

- To provide a settling in period for each individual child.
- To offer and promote home visits to allow nursery staff to visit the child in their own environment.
- To work with parents to ensure a smooth transition is upheld.

Methodology

- As children come to Netherlee Nursery Class from a wide variety of early learning and childcare experiences (home, play groups, child-minder, private nursery provider) we have a flexible settling procedure:
 - **Nursery Visit:** Child invited to come and visit the nursery with their parents and meet their key worker.
 - **Home Visit:** A member of the nursery leadership team along with the child's key worker will visit the child at their home to allow the staff to see the children in their own environment and gather information about the child. This also gives parents the opportunity to seek advice or express any comments or concerns to the staff.
 - **Phone Call:** If parent does not request a home visit staff will phone child's parent before start date to discuss settling in procedures.
 - **Information:** Staff will gather information about the child through phone calls, Child's Personal Plan and Child's Special Book

Starting Nursery

- Each individual child can take different amount of time to be settled in the nursery.
- Some children can take longer to settle than others. Nursery staff will work with parents/carers to formulate the best possible settling plan for their child.
- Our settling procedure can be adapted to suit the needs of every individual child.