Partnership

Working in partnership with other agencies

Policy Statement

At Tywardreath Preschool Playgroup we work in partnership with local and national agencies to promote the well-being of all children.

Procedures

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Procedures are in place for sharing information about children and families with other agencies. These are set out in the Information Sharing protocol, Safeguarding Children procedures and the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities procedures.

Information shared by other agencies with us is regarded as third-party information. This is also kept in confidence and not shared without consent from that agency.

When working in partnership with staff from other agencies, we make those individuals welcome in the setting, and their professional roles are respected.

We follow the protocols for working with agencies, for example, on child protection.

Staff from other agencies do not have unsupervised access to the child they are visiting in the setting and do not have access to any other child(ren) during their visit.

Our staff do not casually share information or seek informal advice about any named child/family.

When necessary, we consult with local and national agencies that offer a wealth of advice and information that helps us develop an understanding of issues facing us, and who can provide support and information for parents. For example, ethnic/cultural organisations, drug/alcohol agencies, welfare rights advisors or organisations promoting childcare and education, or adult education.