**Statement of intent:**

We believe that high quality care and education is promoted by providing children with safe, clean, attractive, age and stage appropriate resources, toys and equipment. We also ensure that our facilities, equipment and resources are suitable for all children and their families what ever their ability/disability. We strive to ensure that our resources reflect the diversity within our pre-school and community but also to reflect diversity throughout the wider world.

In order to achieve this:

* We provide play equipment and resources which where applicable conform to the BSEN safety standards or Toys (Safety) Regulation (1995).
* We provide a sufficient quantity of equipment and resources for the number of children, which provide sufficient challenge and meet the needs and interests of all children.
* We provide resources which promote all areas of children’s learning and development.
* We check all equipment and resources regularly, repair, cleaning and replacing all which are unsafe, worn out, dirty or damaged.
* We plan the provision of activities and appropriate resources so that a balance of familiar equipment and resources and new exciting challenges is offered.
* An inventory of all equipment is kept, reviewed and updated on a regular basis. The inventory contains details of the item. As well as date checked.
* The pre-school has its own library from which children are welcome to borrow books and toys. A log of all books/toys borrowed is kept – including details of book/toy borrowed, date and date returned.
* Risk Assessments are carried out as required and the relevant course of action followed. All risk assessments are accurately documented

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