



PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Policy

At Grassroots Day Nursery, parental and carer involvement is an essential part of the ethos behind the nursery. It is our policy to ensure that parents and carers have the opportunity to participate in the nursery environment and be part of their child's learning experience and development. To achieve this, Grassroots Day Nursery will ensure all members of staff are trained in parent partnership skills, so good levels of communication and rapport are built with parents and carers thus ensuring parents and carers know that they and their child are valued members of the nursery. This relationship ensures an ongoing dialogue between parents and staff members which will improve our understanding of the child, thus improving the care and education of that we are able to provide.

At Grassroots Day Nursery, we have an 'open door policy' whereby parents/carers are welcome into the nursery at any time to discuss issues or concerns.

On a daily basis, parents are informed of their child's activities from their session.

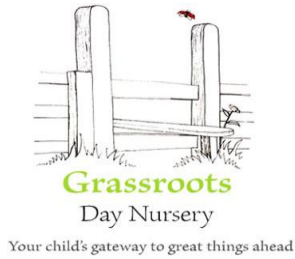
Parents are given free access to all Grassroots Day Nursery policies. Parents are also kept informed of any changes to the nursery through regular emails.

Parents also have access to Parentzone. Parents have their own individual log in to access their child's records, where they will see observations, photographs and other information about their own child. They can also add their own comments and observations and view termly reports/assessments. (See Data Protection Policy). Should any parents not choose to use Parentzone or have trouble accessing it, we are happy to print any of this material for parents to view.

Grassroots Day Nursery understands that some parents do not always have the time to discuss such issues at the end or beginning of their child's session, so parents' evenings can be offered periodically in order to discuss their child's development and any other concerns they may have. The parents' evenings will be held at a time, which is suitable for both the parent and Grassroots Day Nursery.

Records will be secure on iConnect and parents can view their child's development at any time using their own personal log-in on Parentzone. Parents and carers will be actively involved in the completion of these records, and parents are able to add their own observations and comments.

Individual children's records will be kept secure and not accessible by anyone but Grassroots Management. (See Data Protection Policy).



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Through Parentzone, parent’s evenings, newsletters, emails and discussion with parents/carers, Grassroots Day Nursery provides parents with the opportunities to learn about the curriculum offered within the nursery. Feedback from parents is highly valued. Parents own skills, knowledge, interests, different cultures and backgrounds contribute to the activities of the setting.

It is hoped that all parents will for the most part be very happy with the nursery, but if this is not the case, a complaints procedure is in place to enable a resolution to any problems.

In compliance with the Early Years Foundation Stage statutory framework, the following documentation is in place:

- Admissions Policy
- Complaints Procedure
- Records of Complaint

Policy/Procedure name: Parental Involvement Policy	
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