



lintongrantaplaygroup

Pre-school and toddler group
Linton, Cambridgeshire

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Policy Statement

Our Setting believes that high quality early years care and education are promoted by providing children with safe, clean, attractive, developmentally appropriate resources, toys and equipment.

We aim to provide children with resources and equipment that help to consolidate and extend their knowledge, skills, interests and aptitudes.

Procedures

In order to achieve this aim we:

- Provide play equipment and resources that are safe and, where applicable, conform to the BSEN safety standards or Toys (Safety) regulation (2011).
- Provide a sufficient quantity of equipment and resources for the number of children.
- Provide resources that promote all areas of children's learning and development, which may be child or adult led.
- Select books, equipment and resources that promote positive images of people of all colours, cultures and abilities, are non-discriminatory and avoid racial and gender stereotyping.
- Provide play equipment and resources that promote continuity and progression, provide sufficient challenge and meet the needs and interests of all children.
- Provide made, natural and recycled materials that are clean, in good condition and safe for the children to use.
- Provide furniture that is suitable for both children and adults.
- Store and display resources and equipment from which children can independently choose and select.
- Regularly check all resources and equipment. We repair and clean, or replace, any unsafe, worn out, dirty or damaged equipment.

We will use an inventory to:

- Review the balance of resources and equipment so that they can support a range of activities across all areas of play, learning and development.
- Record the date when any item is discarded due to being worn out, damaged or unsafe.
- Provide adequate insurance cover for the setting's resources and equipment.
- Plan the provision of activities and appropriate resources so that a balance of familiar equipment and resources and new exciting challenges is offered.
- Request resources from parents via our newsletter. These could be for a particular knowledge and understanding theme such as corks and shells or for resources such as towels.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Linton Granta Playgroup			
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