

Play Equipment & Resources Policy

Statement of intent

Eduplay mobile crèche Service, MFC crèche and the FFB aims to provide the highest quality play, learning and development opportunities alongside excellent care for all children who access our services.

We aim to provide children with a wide and diverse range of resources and equipment that help to extend their knowledge, skills, develop concepts, interests and aptitudes.

In order to do this we will:

- Provide appropriate equipment and resources for the ages and developmental stages of individual children.
- Provide play equipment and resources that are safe and - where applicable - conform to the British Standard European Norm (BSEN) safety standards or Toys (Safety) Regulation.
- Ensure sufficient quantities for the number of children are available.
- Provide resources which promote all areas of children's learning and development, which may be child or adult led.
- Provide challenges to develop the physical, social, personal and intellectual skills of individual children.
- We will select books, equipment and resources that promote positive images of people, both male and female, from a range of ethnic and cultural groups, with and without disabilities.
- Include a range of made, natural and recycled materials which are clean, safe and in good condition to be used in a variety of ways and encourages an open-ended approach to creativity and problem solving.
- Provide furniture which is suitable for children and furniture which is suitable for adults.
- Store and display resources and equipment in our static provision where children can independently choose and select them.
- Keep 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 dates and results of checking the resources and equipment.
 - Provide adequate insurance cover for all our resources and equipment.
- Use a local library and toy library to introduce new books and a variety of resources to support interests.
- Plan the provision of activities and appropriate resources so that a balance of familiar equipment and resources and new and exciting challenges is offered.