

Involving and Consulting Children.

EYFS overarching legal requirement:

“Providers must plan and organise their systems to ensure that every child receives an enjoyable and challenging learning and development experience that is tailored to meet their individual needs.”

Every Child Matters Outcome: Positive Contribution
Enjoy and Achieve
EYFS Requirement : Organisation

EYFS Principle into Practice: Positive Relationships

- **Respecting Each Other (card 2.1)**
- **Supporting Learning (card 2.3)**
- **Key Person (card 2.4)**

This policy applies to:

1. Early Years Register (EYR)

This policy is not a requirement of The Childcare Register (CR), however it is highly recommended that a policy is written to ensure that you provide a consistent message to all parents about the quality service provided.

Policy

A policy is a description of the setting’s aim / commitment. Consider the following when detailing your policy,

- What is your commitment to involving and consulting children?
- What are you hoping to achieve through this commitment?
- How will consulting with children impact on the children and the service you provide?

Procedure

A procedure is a description of the way a setting goes about a particular activity or process. In this context, it is how the setting puts their aim or commitment into practice. Consider the following information when detailing your procedures,

- How will you consult with children? (I.e. via children's council, questionnaires, asking them what they would like to happen in the setting).
- How often are you going to consult with children?
- How are you going to consult with children with additional needs to ensure that their views are considered?
- How are you going to ensure that children's needs and opinions are respected and taken into account? (EYFS Practice Guidance, page 6, section 1.8).
- How is this monitored and recorded?
- Will the child's key worker have an input? How?
- How will you involve quieter / younger / new children in the consultations?

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Related Policies: Working with other agencies

For more information...

EYFS Statutory Framework

EYFS CD ROM

Requirements for the Childcare Register: Childminders and home child carers -

Ofsted ref 080161

Requirements for the Childcare Register: Childcare providers on non domestic or domestic premises – Ofsted ref 080143

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