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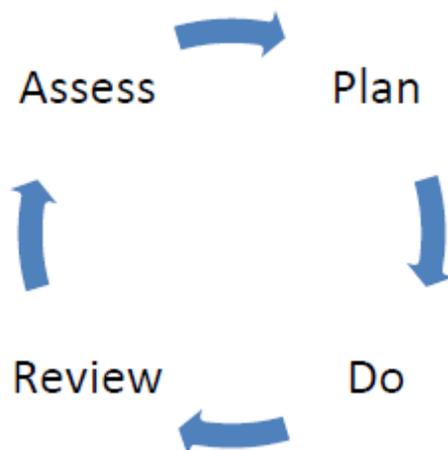
Our SEN and Disability offer

How does the pre-school/ nursery know if children need extra help and what should I do if I think my child has special educational needs?

All children have a specific keyworker. Staff regularly do observations on the children. From these we will be able to see whether your child is hitting their EYFS milestones. All parents/carers are able to speak to staff at any time, either at the beginning or end of each session or to make a time that suits them best.

How will the pre-school/ nursery support my child with special educational needs?

The child's keyworker will be able to explain to you how we can help your child. They will be given small steps to achieve certain milestones.



We will assess your child and how they are doing, We will then make a plan of how to help your child, Then we implement the plan, all the time recording what is happening, then we review to see if the steps have helped

How is the decision made about what type and how much support my child/young person will receive?

All staff and the child's keyworker have an input in the decision to support your child, with the help of other professionals with regular meetings. This may involve being on a one to one basis. With the support we will be able to see how well your child is learning and their overall well-being. We can involve the Early Years Service and apply for additional funds if necessary
<https://new.eastsussex.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies/specialneeds/send-education/sen/funding/early-years/>

How will the pre-school/ nursery review my child's progress and how shall they share it with me?

All the children are on Tapestry, an online log of each child's progress. It has pictures and observations and is fully accessible for parents and your child's keyworker. It is safe and secure and you can only view your own child's work with your own log in and password. Your child will also be given a contact book which they bring in on each session. In it we will comment on what your child has done on that day, was in which you can support your child on a task at home and gives you an opportunity to write down anything you think we may need to know. We have a very strong relationship with all our parents and we do our best to encourage and support you in helping to plan your child's needs.

What support will there be for my child's overall well being?

All staff have an up to date first aid certificate. Medicines are handled appropriately and are recorded in a medicine account book. We have a behaviour management policy which all parents/carers are obliged to read and then sign. We will speak to you about attendance and will try and help if there are any problems. Your child have a voice and these are recorded in their files and will always be listened to and feedback to you.

What training do the staff have in supporting children with special educational needs or disabilities?

Summarise the training/skills staff have, and the training available to you as a setting (e.g. from Early Years Service) and how you decide what training staff do.

What specialist services and support are available to the pre-school/nursery?

We have regular training for staff to keep up to date with the best techniques to help individual learning plans. We have contact with key workers in children's centres, health visitors, speech and language therapists and social care services.

<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies/specialneeds/send-education/sen/services-supporting-schools>

How will my child/young person be included in activities outside the pre-school/ nursery, including trips?

All children are given the opportunity to access activities inside/outside the setting. If your child has a specific need we would help them on a one to one basis. Parents are asked to sign to give permission for outings and give the chance to come and help with us.

How accessible is the pre-school/ nursery?

The setting is fully wheelchair accessible. It is large and bright. There are lots of posters and pictures to make the environment appealing. All equipment is kite marked and regularly maintained. Security is our utmost priority.

How will the pre-school/nursery help my child move on to school?

We prepare the children when they go up to primary school by school visits and teachers come to visit us. We talk to the children about the schools they will be going to and make it fun and exciting. How they are becoming big now. We show the children their tapestry and all the pictures we have of them.

Give us your views about this information

Contact localoffer@eastsussex.gov.uk or call Information for Families 0345 60 80 192

More information, advice and support

The local offer- what is available for children and young people with special educational needs in East Sussex

- www.eastsussex.gov.uk/localoffer

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