



Chieveley Pre-School: Equipment and Resources Policy

Reviewed and confirmed in line with EYFS 2024, Early Years Alliance 2023 guidance, and current best practice in resourcing early years settings.

1. Statement of Intent

We believe that high-quality early years care and education are promoted by providing children with safe, clean, attractive, age- and stage-appropriate resources, toys and equipment.

2. Aim

To provide children with a wide variety of resources and equipment that help consolidate and extend their knowledge, skills, interests and aptitudes.

3. Methods

- Provide play equipment and resources that are safe and conform to BSEN safety standards or The Toys (Safety) Regulations 2011.
- Provide a sufficient quantity of equipment and resources for the number of children in attendance.
- Offer resources that promote all areas of learning and development, supporting both child- and adult-led play.
- Choose materials that reflect positive images of people of all backgrounds and avoid stereotypes.
- Ensure continuity and progression through materials that offer challenge and match children's interests and needs.
- Use made, natural, and recycled materials that are clean, safe, and in good condition.
- Provide suitable furniture for both children and adults.
- Store and display resources so children can independently select them, wherever practical.
- Regularly inspect resources for cleanliness, wear and safety, repairing or replacing as needed.
- Maintain a full inventory of equipment and resources.
- Regularly review resource balance to support a wide range of learning areas and developmental goals.
- Provide insurance cover for all equipment and resources.
- Use the local library to introduce new books and themed resources.



- Plan activities that offer both familiar and new, stimulating materials.

4. Review and Approval

This policy will be reviewed annually or following significant changes in legislation or after any incident that highlights a need for policy revision. The Pre-School Manager and committee will approve all changes.

This notice was reviewed and adopted by the Chieveley Pre-School committee.

Signed Preschool Manager:

Date:

Signed Preschool Chair:

Date: 13.08.25