



ROMPERS PRIVATE NURSERY

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY



Policy Statement:

At Rompers we value ourselves as partners in working alongside parents/carers to support children during their time within the setting. We always strive to provide high quality childcare as well as providing a wide range of experiences and opportunities for children to learn and develop appropriately.

We value parents/carers and at all times and encourage them to be involved within our setting whether this be participating in events, sharing views and suggestions or other factors of nursery life. Research also informs us that the more a parent is involved within their child's learning, the more likely the child will be to reach higher outcomes in the future. Rompers values this responsibility and aims to involve parents/carers in their child's learning and development right from the start of their nursery life.

UNCRC Articles: 5, 18

Aims of this Policy:

- To ensure we have in place a wide range of opportunities for parents to become part of the setting
- To encourage parents/carer to become involved in their child's learning and development right from the start of their nursery life
- To ensure that staff and management are always available to parents for support
- To involve parents/carers in changes and improvements taking place within the nursery by questionnaires and at the Parent Forum group.

Procedures:

We have in place the following opportunities for parents to access:

- Parents monthly newsletter with email address to contact owner direct
- Parent Link app sharing learning journal, daily diary and parent blog information
- Parents are invited to come along to three monthly 'Parent Forum' meetings to help to support, develop and fundraise for the nursery.
- First Steps App is available for parents to comment on observations, ask questions to the staff or simply view their child's records. Parents can also record their own observations on their child's journal.
- We encourage and support parents to play an active part in the nursery
- We inform parents of any relevant workshops through our newsletter and emails.
- We welcome any contributions from parents in any form.
- Management are present daily within the nursery and parents are welcome to schedule meetings or contact us by telephone or email at any time

- Through questionnaires we gain parents opinions on changes taking place in the nursery. We then use this information and parent feedback to help inform our future practice and decisions
- Policy reviews to ensure parents are included in the procedures carried out at Rompers and to keep up to date with all legislation in nursery
- All policies and procedures are available on the nursery website

Due to COVID-19 Recovery, these have not been on offer:

- Stay and play sessions for parents/carers within rooms
- All rooms have a notice board for communication, Pre-school room explores opportunities for parents to try things at home
- Parents can attend parents evening sessions
- Parents and other family members can attend special open sessions

Monitoring:

- To continue to listen to parents ideas, suggestions and comments and act upon these appropriately
- To review all opportunities on offer to parents and ensure that they are having an impact upon within the nursery
- Ensure parental involvement opportunities are exciting and fresh
- Review COVID-19 guidelines to support parental involvement where possible

Review:

Date	Management	Track of Changes
August 2021	P. Guthrie	none
September 2021	P. Guthrie	COVID-19 impact on parental involvement considered within the policy.
February 2023	Room Champions	UNCRC articles added