



Abbey Wood Grange Day Nursery

Parental Involvement Policy

At Abbey Wood Grange we feel that good communication between staff and parents is paramount, and as a result we achieved an “outstanding” grading from our last Ofsted inspection in January 2007. We have in place our own Parents Association, where parent volunteers have agreed to represent all parents by attending regular meetings with the proprietors and the nursery management team.

Our Parents Association offers involvement in nursery issues and encourages good relationships to develop between parents and staff. At the meetings we invite the parents to give us ideas on how best we can improve the setting and our services.

We also like to include our parents in regular social events such as Sports Day, Fundraising Activities, Picnic Outings and Local Theatre trips.

We produce an in-house newsletter “Abbey Wood Adventures” to keep parents up-to-date with room news, nursery issues, nursery events and much more.

After every parent association meeting a newsletter is produced and circulated to all parents informing them of the discussions that took place at the meeting together with any proposed initiatives and events that are to be undertaken in the future.

In order to keep parents involved in the day-to-day nursery operations we will:

- make all new parents aware of nursery systems and policies.
- ensure that parents are informed on a regular basis about their child’s progress.
- involve parents in shared record keeping about their own child, either formally or informally.
- ensure that all parents are fully informed about meetings, conferences, workshops and training.
- welcome the suggestions and contributions of parents, whatever form these may take.
- make known to all parents the systems for registering queries, complaints or suggestions.
- provide opportunities for parents to learn about the Nursery curriculum and about young children’s learning, in Nursery and at home via correspondence, newsletters, parent meetings, notices and e-mails.

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