



## Explorers Play Policy



The programme of activities and the atmosphere at Explorers aims to encourage confidence, independence and enjoyment. Our work has, at its core, the aim of enabling children to develop their emotional, social, cognitive, interpersonal and physical skills, and their desire to explore, discover and be creative.

Explorers staff will provide a well-planned and organised play environment that offers children rich and stimulating experiences, alongside opportunities to explore, experiment, plan and make decisions for themselves. The programme of activities will recognise and take into account the differing ages, interests, backgrounds and abilities of the children.

Where appropriate, children will be involved in the process of planning activities so that the programme reflects their opinions and so that children feel some ownership over their club.

Children will be provided with a range of equipment and resources appropriate to their age and interests, according to availability.

Children will be offered access to outdoor play every day, subject to weather conditions.

Children will be supervised during both indoor and outdoor activities.

All staff will encourage the children to be confident and independent through

- Being responsible for tidying away resources
- Being responsible for own behaviour

Explorers staff will listen to and value what the children say and children should be regularly asked about what activities they enjoy or would like to do.

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