

The Local Offer

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My child has SEND. I would like to look around. What do I need to do?

EITHER GIVE US A PHONE CALL TO ARRANGE A DAY FOR A VISIT. OR IF YOU ARE IN THE AREA WE DO NOT MIND A KNOCK AT THE DOOR AND IF IT IS CONVENIENT WE CAN SHOW YOU ROUND.

How will my child and I be made to feel welcome and how will you get ready for my child coming?

A MEMBER OF STAFF IS ALWAYS ON THE DOOR TO WELCOME ALL FAMILIES AT EACH SESSION. ONCE YOU HAVE VISITED THE SETTING AND DECIDED TO ENROLL YOUR CHILD WE WILL HAVE ANOTHER CHAT WITH YOU ABOUT EXACTLY WHAT ARRANGEMENTS YOUR CHILD WILL NEED.

How accessible are your premises?

WE HAVE A RAMP FOR WHEELCHAIR ACCESS, MOST DOORWAYS ARE QUITE WIDE AND WE HAVE A DISABLED TOILET.

How will you keep my child safe?

RISK ASSESSMENTS ARE CARRIED OUT THROUGHOUT THE DAY, DOORS ARE ALWAYS CHECKED AND WE ALWAYS HAVE A GOOD STAFF TO CHILD RATIO AND DEPENDING ON CIRCUMSTANCES WE COULD ARRANGE A ONE TO ONE STAFF MEMBER.

How will you communicate with me what my child has done, enjoyed and learnt?

WE HAVE HOME SCHOOL BOOKS WHICH YOUR CHILD'S KEY PERSON WILL WRITE IN OR THEY WILL TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO YOU IN PERSON AT THE BEGINNING OR END OF A SESSION. A LEARNING JOURNEY WILL BE KEPT OF YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS AND THIS WE WILL SHARE WITH YOU.

How do you work with other professionals?

WE TALK AND GET ADVICE FROM OUR AREA SENCO. HEALTH VISITORS, SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST ETC ARE INVITED TO COME INTO THE SETTING BECAUSE WE FIND CHILDREN ARE MORE RELAXED IN FAMILIAR SURROUNDINGS.

What training have you/your staff had in SEND?

WE ALWAYS TRY TO KEEP OURSELVES UP TO DATE WITH CURRENT TRAINING. SOME OF US HAVE ATTENDED A COURSE RUN BY MEMPHYS. COMMUNICATION AND BEHAVIOUR COURSES. WE HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH MAKATON AND IF PARENTS ARE USING THIS WE WORK TOGETHER TO SEE WHAT YOU ARE USING AT HOME. ANY COURSES THAT ARE NEEDED WE WILL ATTEND.

How will you adapt play opportunities for my child?

BY TALKING TO YOU AS THE PARENT GETTING TO KNOW YOUR CHILD'S NEEDS. WE WILL LOOK AT OUR ENVIRONMENT AND SITING OF ACTIVITIES TO SEE HOW THEY CAN BE ADJUSTED AND AGAIN LOOKING AT STAFFING/TALKING TO OTHER PROFESSIONALS THAT MAY BE INVOLVED.

How will you get ready for my child going to his/her new school?

WE HAVE GOOD LINKS WITH ALL THE LOCAL SCHOOLS. TEACHERS WILL VISIT US AND THEN THEY ARRANGE WITH US ALL EXTRA VISITS WE CAN HAVE TO THE SCHOOL. THEY WILL ALSO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH YOU AS PARENTS FOR THE EXTRA VISITS YOU WILL NEED.

How will you and I know how my child is doing and how will you help me to support my child's learning?

YOUR CHILD WILL BE MONITORED THROUGH OBSERVATION AND TRACKED BY GUIDANCE IN THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE WHICH WILL GO INTO THEIR LEARNING JOURNEY. WE WILL ALWAYS MAKE TIME TO TALK TO YOU AND GIVE SUGGESTIONS OF ACTIVITIES YOU COULD DO AT HOME TO SUPPORT THEIR LEARNING AND TALK TO ANY OTHER PROFESSIONALS THAT ARE INVOLVED WITH YOUR CHILD.

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