

## <u>Parental involvement</u>

## **Policy Statement**

Little Pips believes that children benefit most from Early Years' Education and Care when parents and Early Year's Settings work together in partnership. Our aim is to support parents as their children's first and most important educators by involving them in their children's learning.

## **EYFS key themes and commitments** A Unique Child Positive

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
1.2 Inclusive practice 1.4 Health and well being	<ul><li>2.1 Respecting each other</li><li>2.2 Parents are partners</li><li>2.3 Supporting learning</li><li>2.4 Key person</li></ul>	3.2 Supporting every child	

- We ensure ongoing dialogue with parents to improve our knowledge of the needs of their children and to support their families by using a P.I.P (Parent input to planning form) half-termly.
- We inform all parents about how Little Pips is run and its policies through access to written information and through regular informal communication. We check to ensure parents understand the information that is given to them.
- We inform all parents on a regular basis about their children's progress through open evenings and one-to-one meetings.
- We involve parents in the shared record keeping about their children either formally or informally and ensure parents have access to their children's written developmental records.



- We provide opportunities for parents to contribute their own skills, knowledge and interests to the activities we provide at Little Pips.
- We provide information about opportunities to be involved in our setting in ways that are accessible to parents with basic skills needs, or those for whom English is an additional language.
- We welcome the contributions of parents in whatever form these may take.
- We inform all parents of the systems for registering queries, complaints or suggestions and check to ensure these are understood. All parents have access to our written complaints procedure.
- We provide opportunities for parents to learn about the Early Year's Foundation Stage curriculum offered at Little Pips.

In compliance with the Welfare Requirements, the following documentation is in place:

- Admissions policy.
- Complaints procedure
- Record of complaints.
- Developmental records of children.