



Peter's Patch
Forest School - Day Care - After School Club

Participation Policy

What is Participation?

Participation is when people are given the opportunity to express their views effectively and for those views to be listened to and taken account of. It is about being involved in and influencing decision making on matters that affect you. There are a huge variety of ways that children and young people can participate, such as at one-off consultation events, through school councils, by completing surveys, or by becoming a member of an organisation such as the Youth Parliament.

Why is it Important?

Participation is a right. The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) states that it is the right of children and young people to express their views in relation to matters that affect them and to have those views taken into account.

Not only do children and young people benefit from being involved in decision-making but also organisations and services that involve children and young people will benefit from their involvement. Children and young people may gain new skills and confidence and make a real difference in something that matters to them.



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Agencies may gain a better understanding of what makes an effective service for children and young people or will build stronger relationships with the young people they work with.

Our Participation Policy

Children parents and staff will be given the opportunity to express their views and for those views to be listened to and taken account of.

Methods of involvement will be accessible and relevant to all and take into account sensitivities.

The views of children, parents and staff will be recognised and will be reflected in nursery practice.

The nursery will continue to monitor and expand participation methods

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