

CHRIST CHURCH PLAYGROUP

Prevent Duty

From 1 July 2015 the Prevent Duty became law, this is a duty on all schools and registered early years providers to have “due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism”.

British Values are a set of four values introduced to help promote a tolerant democratic society where freedom of speech lives comfortably alongside respect for all.

Christ Church Playgroup aims to put these values to practice in the following ways:

Democracy

- We let children know their views count and encourage them to value each other's opinions and values. We help demonstrate democracy in action, for example, by letting children share views on what activity should come next with a show of hands.
- We provide activities that involve turn-taking, sharing and collaboration
- We give children opportunities to develop enquiring minds by creating an atmosphere where all questions are valued

Rule of Law

- We help and support the children to understand their own and others' behaviour and its consequences, helping them to distinguish right from wrong
- We work with children to create the rules and the codes of behaviour, such as agreeing the rules about tidying up, and also ensuring children understand that the rules apply to everyone

Individual Liberty

- We provide opportunities for children to develop their self-knowledge, self-esteem and increase their confidence in their own abilities, for example, through allowing children to take risks on an obstacle course and talking about their experiences and learning
- We encourage a range of experiences that allow children to explore the language of feelings and responsibility, reflect on their differences and understand everyone is free to have different opinions

Mutual Respect and Tolerance

- We encourage and explain to the children about the importance of tolerant behaviours, such as sharing and respecting each other's opinions
- We promote diverse attitudes and challenge stereotypes, for example, by sharing stories that reflect and value the diversity of children's experiences
- We provide resources and activities that challenge gender, cultural and racial stereotyping
- We create an ethos of inclusivity and tolerance where views, faiths, cultures and races are valued
- We aim to arrange visits whereby children can engage with the wider community
- We encourage children to acquire a tolerant, appreciation and respect for their own and other cultures by discussing with them the similarities and differences between themselves and their friends; and among families, faiths, communities, cultures and traditions
- We share and discuss practices, celebrations and experiences

Childcare and Early Years Providers subject to the Prevent Duty will be expected to demonstrate activity in the following areas:

- Demonstrate that they are protecting children and young people by having robust safeguarding policies.
- Ensure that their safeguarding arrangements take into account the policies and procedures of the Local Safeguarding Children Board.

- Make sure that staff have training that gives them the knowledge and confidence to identify children at risk and to challenge extremist ideas.
- Expected to ensure children are safe from extremist material when accessing the internet.

This policy was reviewed in February 2017

Signed on behalf of playgroup