



Berry Harbor Pre-school
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Admissions policy

Statement of intent

It is our intention to make Berry Harbor Preschool accessible to children and families from all sections of the local community. We aim to ensure that all sections of our community have access to the setting through open, fair and clearly communicated procedures.

Aim

We ensure that the existence of our setting is widely advertised in places accessible to all sections of the community.

We ensure that information about our setting is accessible, in written and spoken form and, where appropriate, in more than one language. Where necessary, we will try to provide information in Braille, or through British Sign Language. We will provide translated written materials where language needs of families suggest this is required as well as access to an interpreter.

We arrange our waiting list in reservation order. In addition, our policy may take into account the following:

- the vicinity of the home to the setting
- siblings already attending the setting.

We keep a place vacant, if this is financially viable, to accommodate an emergency admission.

We describe our setting and its practices in terms that make it clear that it welcomes both fathers and mothers, other relations and other carers, including childminders.

We describe our setting and its practices in terms of how it treats each child and their family, having regard to their needs arising from their gender, special educational needs, disabilities, social background, religion, ethnicity or from English being a newly acquired additional language.

We describe our setting and its practices in terms of how it enables children and/or parents with disabilities to take part in the life of the setting.

We monitor the gender and ethnic background of children joining the group to ensure that our intake is representative of social diversity.

We consult with families about the opening times of the setting to ensure we accommodate a broad range of family need.

There is no entitlement to a school place if your child attends Berry Harbor Preschool. You will need to apply to Admissions at Devon County Council.

We are flexible about attendance patterns to accommodate the needs of individual children and families, providing these do not disrupt the pattern of continuity in the setting that provides stability for all the children.

When places are available, we will be able to offer flexible sessions to accommodate families and children's needs. However, we retain the right to request regular hours to be taken if the place is required.

Places are only available during term time and the setting will be closed during holiday periods and bank holidays.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Berry Harbor Preschool held on 06/06/2007
This policy was review and revised on 24/08/23

Signed on behalf of the preschool.....Date.....