

Parent/Carer Involvement Policy

Parents/carers are the first educators of their young children. Offwell Under Fives aim to support their essential work, not to supplant them. We will:

- Display information about the pre-school's systems and policies where they are easily accessible to parents/carers.
- Ensure parents/carers are aware of how the group is run, and encourage them to be actively involved. Encourage parents/carers to add their names to the parent Rota if they are in a position to do so.
- Ensure that parents/carers are informed on a regular basis about their child's progress through the sharing of information and individual child targets in the "Child Development Folder".
- Endeavour to make use of the skills, knowledge and experience of parents/carers by involving them in pre-school curriculum and activities where appropriate.
- Involve parents/carers in shared record keeping about their child, either formally or informally.
- Display information about meetings and conferences in a place that is easily accessible to parents/carers.
- Arrange times of meetings so that as many families as possible can attend.
- Hold meetings in venues that are accessible and appropriate for all where possible.
- Welcome the contributions of parents/carers, whatever form these may take.
- Ensure parents/carers are aware of how to make a complaint, query or suggestion should they wish to do so.
- Display a copy of the pre-school topic plans each half-term so that they have the opportunity to learn about their child's activities and to take an active part in their pre-school learning .