

# Maidenbower Infant School Nursery

## Inclusion Policy

Maidenbower Infant School Nursery aims to provide a warm welcome and appropriate learning opportunities for all children. This policy has been written with regard to the DfE SEND code of practice on the identification and assessment of Additional Support Educational Needs.

- \* All children, whether they have additional support needs or are vulnerable are welcomed in the nursery. The admissions policy for all children is the same.
- \* All routines and activities in the nursery are designed to encourage the development of every child's self-esteem and confidence.
- \* The individual needs and progress of each child are monitored through our system of observation, assessment and record keeping and through our partnership with parents.
- \* The nursery follows a child led approach to teaching. Children are born with a natural desire to explore and learn and our staff members support them in this. We have created an inclusive, enabling and stimulating environment to enable us to do this. We do not plan ahead, rather we remain 'in the moment' with the children as they explore and learn. We observe the children carefully and enhance their learning by teaching them in their chosen activity.
- \* To ensure that children identified with additional support needs progress in all areas of development, an individual plan will be produced with the parents to facilitate this.
- \* We refer to the process mentioned in the S.E.N.D Code of Practice and will liaise with other professionals, including health visitors, ethnic minority achievement service staff, portage workers, social workers and the Early Years Advisory team to ensure that each child's specific needs are met.
- \* Our staff regularly attend training run by various professional bodies to promote inclusion.
- \* The Nursery Inclusion Co-ordinator is responsible for implementing the Inclusion policy and liaising with parents and other professionals.

**THIS POLICY IS REVIEWED ANNUALLY. A SIGNED COPY OF THE POLICY IS DISPLAYED ON THE PARENTS INFORMATION TABLE IN THE NURSERY.**

