

PEMBURY SCHOOL HOUSE NURSERY

Equipment & Resources Policy

Statement of Intent

We believe that high quality care and education is promoted by providing children with safe, clean, attractive, age and stage appropriate resources, toys and equipment.

Aim

We aim to provide children with resources and equipment which help to consolidate and extend their knowledge, skills, interests and aptitudes.



Methods

To meet this aim;

- we provide play equipment and resources which are safe and conform to the **BSEN Toy (Safety Regulations) 1995**
- we provide a sufficient quantity of equipment and resources for the number of children
- we provide resources which promote all areas of children's learning and development, which may be child or adult-led
- we select books, equipment and resources which promote positive images of people of all races, cultures and abilities, are non-discriminatory and avoid racial and gender stereotyping
- we provide play equipment and resources which promote continuity and progression, provide sufficient challenge and meet the needs and interests of all children
- we provide made, natural and recycled materials which are clean, in good condition and safe for the children to use
- we provide furniture which is suitable for children and furniture which is suitable for adults
- we store and display age appropriate resources and equipment, where children can independently choose and select them
- we check all resources and equipment regularly; as they are set out at the beginning of each session and put away at the end of each session. **We repair and clean, or replace any unsafe, worn out, dirty or damaged equipment**

- **we keep an inventory of resources and equipment. This records the date on which each item has been purchased and the price paid for it**

- **we use the inventory to:**
 - **review the balance of resources and equipment so that they can support a range of activities across all areas of play, learning and development**
 - **record the dates and results of checking the resources and equipment**
- **we provide adequate insurance cover for the nursery's resources and equipment**
- **we plan the provision of activities and appropriate resources, so that a balance of familiar equipment and resources and new exciting challenges is offered.**

This policy was updated and adopted by the Trustees of Pembury School House Nursery.