



## Play

We are strong believers that children learn through play and follow a child led environment:

- We offer a range of adult led learning experiences throughout the session
- Children are never made to take part in any learning experiences
- All adult led learning is playful and planned around children's interests in order to engage them
- Adult led learning experiences are incorporated into the daily routine and children can access these if they wish
- Activities are arranged to encourage free flow play and all children have access to all areas of learning at all times
- We understand that sometimes children play together and sometimes play alone
- The team will sensitively engage with children throughout their play in order to extend learning through open ending questioning, providing extra resources and observing to understand interests
- The team understand that children sometimes do not want to play with them
- The team member's role in play is to provide resources, observe children and extend learning
- The team respect and accept all forms of play including superhero play, regardless of their own views
- Play that scares, threatens or hurts another child or damages any property will be quickly discouraged and children will be requested to cease this play and an explanation of why it is unacceptable will be given
- We continue to purchase new toys and equipment according to the needs of the children. However, we recognise that sensitive, enthusiastic team members are the best resource that we could provide for young children.