



## Admissions

### Policy statement

It is our intention to make our setting accessible to children and families from all sections of the local community.

### Our intention

It is our intention that all sections of our community have access to the setting through open, fair and clearly communicated procedures.

### Procedures

At Little Squirts we ensure that the existence of our setting is widely advertised in places accessible to all sections of the community and we ensure that information about our setting is accessible, using simple plain English, in written and spoken.

In the instance of requiring a waiting list for new children to start we arrange our waiting list in birth order. In addition, our policy may take into account:

- the age of the child, with priority given to children who are eligible for the free entitlement – including eligible two year old children;
- the length of time on the waiting list;
- the vicinity of the home to the setting;
- whether any siblings already attend the setting; and
- the capacity of the setting to meet the individual needs of the child

We offer funded places in accordance with the Code of Practice for Central Bedfordshire and any local conditions in place at the time and we keep a place vacant, if this is financially viable, to accommodate an emergency admission.

Our setting and its practices are welcoming and make it clear that fathers, mothers, other relations and carers are all welcome. We also demonstrate through our practices that we operate in a way that

encourages positive regard for and understanding of difference and ability - whether gender, family structure, class, background, religion, ethnicity or competence in spoken English.

We support children and/or parents with disabilities to take full part in all activities within our setting and monitor the needs and background of children joining our setting on the Registration Form, to ensure that no accidental or unintentional discrimination is taking place.

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.

Failure to comply with the terms and conditions may ultimately result in the provision of a place being withdrawn.

This policy was adopted by Little Squirts Preschool on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 (review date 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024)

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