

EYFS WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OTHER AGENCIES POLICY

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Member of staff responsible	Sarah Reynolds
Role	Head of Early Years
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This policy applies to Sandcastles Nursery including 'early,' 'late' and 'wrap around care' and all staff members, volunteers and visitors in Sandcastles Nursery.

(Please note that the term 'parents' also relates to carers and those with legal guardianship of children)

At Sandcastles Nursery we work in partnership with local and national agencies to promote the well-being of all children.

Procedures:

- We work in partnership or in tandem with local and national agencies to promote the well-being of all children.
- Procedures are in place for the sharing of information about children and their families with other agencies.
- Information shared by other agencies with us is regarded as third party information. This is also kept in confidence and not shared without consent from that agency.
- When working in partnership with staff from other agencies, we make those individuals welcome in the setting and their professional roles are respected.
- We follow the protocols for working with other agencies, for example on child protection.
- Staff members from other agencies do not have unsupervised access to the child they are visiting in the setting and do not have access to any other child(ren) during their visit.
- Our staff members do not casually share information or seek informal advice about any named child/family.
- When necessary we consult with local and national agencies who offer advice and information that help us develop understanding of issues and who can provide support and information for parents. For example, ethnic/cultural organisations, welfare rights advisors or adult education.