

PLAY AND PLANNING POLICY

PRINCIPLE

We believe that children and young people need to use and enhance our natural play spaces, it is fundamental to the healthy development and wellbeing of each individual child and young person in a setting such as ours.

STATEMENT OF INTENT

Primrose Hill believes that:

- All children and young people need and have the right to play
- Children and young people should have a choice and ownership over their play
- The equipment should be age appropriate
- We have a responsibility to advocate for play where and when possible
- We should try and use all different play types (Hughes 1996) in our daily day to play

PROCEDURES

- We will provide different play spaces to enhance our play types
- Free play should be given as much importance in Primrose Hill as structured activities as the children gain and experience many opportunities through this
- When setting boundaries, the children are fully involved in this so they understand if restrictions for safety reason are imposed
- We manage the balance between risky play and keeping the children from harm by ensuring the children are supervised and by completing risk benefit assessments
- Ensuring that the resources we have encourage the children to play
- Maximise play opportunities and natural play spaces for children by regularly changing and varying their play spaces and natural environments
- We will aim to have as much outdoor play as possible every day. We strongly believe there is no such thing as bad weather it is bad clothing



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- Our play plan will be displayed monthly, but we will also have a daily play programme which is displayed so parents/carers can see what we have planned to do and what we have done, as it is the children's choice, and this can change from hour to hour