



BARNFIELDS EXTRA

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Early Years Foundation Stage Policy

Barnfields Extra is committed to delivering the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) as set out in the *Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage 2012*. EYFS applies to all children from birth through to the end of their reception year. More information about EYFS is available from the Department for Education's website.

The designated EYFS co-ordinators at the Club are [Beatriz Arnold](#) and [Alison Main](#) who are responsible for:

- Identifying EYFS children when they join the Club, and informing the other staff
- Assigning a key person for each EYFS child
- Keep children's work, observations, photos in individual folders.
- Ensuring that staff receive relevant EYFS training
- Using the home school diary to communicate with the parents.
- Using communication book between Barnfields Extra and Nursery/Reception teachers.
- Meeting regularly with Nursery/Reception teachers to share information regarding children.

For each EYFS child, the Club will deliver those areas of EYFS learning and development as are agreed with the parents/carers and the primary provider. In delivering these areas of learning and development staff will:

- Undertake observations in order to plan for each child's individual needs
- Plan and provide opportunities which are appropriate to each child's stage of development.

The Club provides a mix of adult-led and child-initiated activities and continuous provision.

We recognise the four overarching principles of EYFS:

- **A Unique Child:** Every child is constantly learning and can be resilient, capable, confident and self assured. We use positive encouragement and praise to motivate the children in our care.
- **Positive Relationships:** Children learn to be strong and independent through positive relationships. We aim to develop caring, respectful, professional relationships with the children and their families.
- **Enabling Environments:** Children learn and develop well in environments in which their experiences respond to their individual needs and where there is a strong partnership between practitioners and parents/carers. We observe children in order to understand their current interests and development before planning appropriate play-based activities for them.
- **Children develop and learn in different ways and at different rates.** The EYFS framework covers the education and care of all children in Early Years provision, including children with special educational needs and disabilities. We tailor the experiences we offer the children in our care according to their individual needs and abilities.

Written in accordance with the *Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (2012): Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements: Information for parents and carers [3.72]*