



Working in Partnership With Other Agencies

Policy Statement:

We work in partnership with local & 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 children.
- Procedures are in place for sharing of information about children and families with other agencies. These are set out in the Safeguarding Children procedures and the Special Educational Needs procedures.
- 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 agencies, for example on child protection.
- Staff from other agencies do not have unsupervised access to the child they are visiting in the setting.
- Our staff 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 a wealth of advice and information that help us develop an understanding of issues facing us and who can provide support and information for parents. For example, ethnic/cultural organisations, drug/alcohol agencies, welfare rights advisors or organisations promoting childcare and education, or adult education.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of **Acacia Pre-school**

Held on _____ (date)

Signed on behalf of the management
committee

Name of signatory

Alison Berryman

Role of signatory (e.g. chair/owner)

Chair

