



9.5 British Values and Prevent Duty

1) Purpose

We actively promote inclusion, equality of opportunity, the valuing of diversity, British values and universal values. We also meet our Prevent Duty to reduce the risk of people being drawn into terrorism.

2) Main rule / nursery commitment

- The Equality Act 2010 underpins standards of behaviour and protects people with protected characteristics. The nursery makes reasonable adjustments and meets its public sector equality duties.
- The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) supports children's early social and emotional development so they can become age-appropriate social citizens.

3) British values in practice

- Democracy: children are encouraged to know their views matter, value other people's views, share, take turns, collaborate and ask questions.
- Rule of law: children learn that rules apply to everyone and that actions have consequences. Staff work with children to create simple rules and routines.
- Individual liberty: children build self-confidence, self-knowledge and self-esteem, take age-appropriate risks, explore feelings and understand they can have different opinions.
- Mutual respect and tolerance: the nursery promotes inclusivity, values views, faiths, cultures and races, teaches tolerance, respect and appreciation for similarities and differences, and actively challenges stereotypes.

4) Prevent Duty

- Under the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015, the nursery has due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.
- Protecting children from radicalisation forms part of wider safeguarding and is managed in the same way as other harms such as gangs, drugs, neglect or exploitation.
- The nursery builds resilience by promoting British values and helping children challenge extremist views in age-appropriate ways.
- The Prevent Duty is not intended to stop children discussing or exploring difficult topics in a safe way.

5) Policy details

- Provider: Aspire Day Nursery Ltd
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