The Local Offer

Name of Setting: Acorn Under 5s

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Has your provision got a website/Facebook page for me to find out more about your offer?: YES

Statement: We have a website for further information for parents, We have a Facebook page for parents to find out about what we

Is your provision easily accessible for a child who has SEND?: YES

Statement: We have wheelchair access, We have changing facilities, We have an accessible toilet which is child friendly, Activities can be accessed by all children as they are provided on table tops and on the floor, We make reasonable adjustments to accommodate your child, and discuss these with you, We encourage parents to come into the provision to settle their child to a task before leaving, Children can access the outdoors throughout the year, We have a secure outdoor area, Children are encouraged to access the outdoor environment with support if needed, We have a quiet area for children to access if they need to

Have your staff had training to support my child with SEND?: YES

Statement: We encourage staff to attend training regularly, Diana training, Makaton, SENCO training, Supporting autism, Supporting children with speech, language and communication, Including children with Downs syndrome, Including children with social communication differences, Promoting positive behaviour, Supporting children who are developmentally young, SEND conference, We will attend training relevant to a child's specific medical needs

Have you worked with other professionals in the past to support other children with SEND?: YES

Statement: Speech and Language Therapists, Portage workers, Early years SEND Inclusion Team, Early years, Area SENCO, Educational Psychologists, Early Years Autism team, Paediatrics, Public Health Nurses (Health visitors), Occupational therapists, Physiotherapists, Vision Support Service, Hearing Support Service

Do you offer additional support for my child to start in another room?: YES

Statement: We only have one main room, but we support children to move between activities and between the indoor and outdoor environment.

Do you offer any additional support to help my child move to another school?: YES

Statement: We support children to move between the setting and school, We offer extra visits for the child to visit the new school, We encourage the child and parent to visit the new school together, We will share books about the child's new school if the school has made one so that children become familiar with their new school, We have meetings for parents to share progress about how their child is doing

Have you included any other children with SEND into your provision?: YES

Statement: We work closely with professionals involved with your child, We encourage your child to join in with the provision and enjoy coming to the nursery, We share what your child has done with parents, We find out what your child likes to do and plan activities to ensure that your child enjoys coming to nursery, We offer small group activities to meet your child's needs, We offer individual time to ensure that your child is making progress, We make sure that any plans that professionals have made are put in to place, We apply for funding to help support your child in the setting

Is there anything else you would like to share?: YES

Statement: Acorn is a friendly and inclusive setting with a team of very experienced practitioners. Our aim is to provide the best care and education for ALL children and their families. We encourage all parents and carers to become involved with the setting and focus on the health and well-being of everyone. The mission statement for Acorn is 'Making a Difference'.

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