## **Equality and Diversity Policy**

We emphasise a commitment to inclusivity, equal opportunities, and diversity. It is guided by various legal frameworks, including:

- Race Relations Act 1976
- Race Relations Amendment Act 2000
- Sex Discrimination Act 1986
- Child Act 1989
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Act 2001
- SEN and Disability Code of Practice 0-25 years
- Children and Families Act 2014

Key aspects of this policy include:

- **Community Inclusivity**: The nursery is open to all members of the community, fostering a welcoming environment for diverse backgrounds.
- **Multilingual Information**: Information is provided in as many relevant community languages as possible to ensure accessibility.
- **Fair Admissions Policy**: The admissions policy is based on a fair system, without discrimination.
- Inclusion of Special Needs and Disabilities: The nursery does not discriminate against children with special needs or disabilities and does not refuse entry based on these factors.
- **Equal Opportunities Awareness**: All parents are informed about the nursery's equal opportunities policy.
- **Action Plan for Inclusivity**: An action plan is developed to ensure that people with disabilities can fully participate in services and the curriculum. Training opportunities are sought to enable effective support all children.
- **Review of Practices**: Regular reviews of practices are conducted to ensure the full implementation of the equality and diversity policy.
- **Dietary Requirements**: 'We collaborate with parents to meet the medical, cultural, and dietary needs of children, promoting learning about different foods and cultural approaches to mealtimes while encouraging respect for differences.

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