## NEWBRIDGE DAY NURSERY PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT POLICY

## **Statement of Intent**

The Nursery recognises that parents/carers are the main educators of their children and therefore your views/wishes will be taken into consideration when placing your child with us. Be assured that your consent will be sought at all times with regard to your child's developmental needs.

## **Our Aims**

- To offer full care as well as sessional care and strive to offer greater flexibility to cater for the needs of all parents.
- To support parents as children's first and most important educators.
- To involve parents in the life of the Nursery and their children's care and education.
- We have endeavoured to provide a homely atmosphere with more individual care for our small children, to provide an extension of the home environment. We provide separate facilities for babies and older children.
- To make all new parents aware of the Nursery systems and policies.
- Ensure that parents are regularly informed of their child's progress.
- Involve parents in shared record keeping about their child, either formally or informally.

## **Parental Involvement Procedure**

When a child is due to start Nursery, arrangements will be made for "settling in days" to cater for the needs of that child and their families.

Staff will discuss, with parents, their child's individual needs, policies and procedures. "all about me files" and any other questions that may arise. Parents will be encouraged to contribute to this file and to have regular access to it.

All of the staff are available to discuss any aspect of their child's day at Nursery at any time.