Aims and Objectives

To provide a safe, secure, welcoming and happy environment for children from the ages of 6 weeks to 5 years.

To provide quality experiences for children aged 0 to 3 years following the guidance contained in the Pre-Birth to Three Document – Positive Outcomes for Scotland’s Children and Families.

To follow the Curriculum for Excellence for children aged 3 to 5 years in order to provide quality activities and experiences to promote each child’s development and learning in all 8 areas of the curriculum and to apply the GIRFEC (Getting it Right for Every Child) approach to enable each child to become a confident individual, an effective contributor, a successful learner and a responsible citizen.

We will use SHANARRI to support children to be: Safe, Healthy, Achieving, Nurtured, Active, Respected, Responsible and Included.

To refer to and follow best practice as indicated by the National Care Standards (Early Education and Childcare up to the age of 16); Child at the Centre 2 and the Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC) Codes of Practice.

To treat every child as an individual recognising additional needs, gender, race, nationality and culture.

To encourage equal opportunities for all children and adults involved with the nursery.

To recognise the value of parents input and encourage them to share in their children’s learning.

To promote positive behaviour by praising and encouragement and being attentive to the needs of the children.

To continually assess the guidance available from all sources, particularly government departments and work towards best practice in all areas.

To value all staff highly and ensure that every opportunity is given to each staff member to develop their personal skills and to broaden their knowledge and skills in caring for and educating children.