

## **Multiple Birth Families Policy**

## **Policy Statement**

At Little Explorers, we welcome and support all families equally—regardless of size, structure, or circumstance. With the increasing number of multiple births in the UK, including twins, triplets, and more, we recognise the unique dynamics and needs of these families.

This policy outlines our commitment to celebrating the special relationships between multiple-birth siblings while ensuring that **each child is recognised**, **nurtured**, **and supported as an individual**.

This policy should be read in conjunction with our:

- Settling-In Policy
- Partnership with Parents Policy
- SEND and Inclusion Policies

## **Our Commitments to Multiple Birth Families**

To ensure the best possible experience and development for children from multiple birth families, we will:

- Celebrate sibling bonds while supporting each child's individuality.
- Work in partnership with parents to understand each child's **unique preferences**, **interests**, **routines**, **and developmental starting points**.
- Where applicable, support staff to **identify children individually**, using parent-provided guidance (e.g. colour-coding, clothing cues).
- **Complete separate registration and information forms** for each child, covering personal routines, dietary needs, medical requirements, and comfort objects.
- Recognise and record **individual achievements**, avoiding comparisons between siblings.
- Provide **individual feedback** to parents/carers for each child at the end of each session.
- Where developmentally beneficial, **consider opportunities for separation**, such as during free play or focused activities. This will be carefully planned in collaboration with parents, and where appropriate, with input from the children themselves.

- Conduct **individual parent consultations** for each child, allowing equal time and attention. Progress assessments will be based on individual development and needs—**comparisons will not be made**.
- Acknowledge that each child is unique; we do not expect siblings to behave the same, enjoy the same activities, or develop at the same pace.

## **Inclusion and Equity**

We understand that parenting multiple children can be demanding, especially when managing different routines or needs. We aim to:

- Offer flexible and sensitive support to families where possible.
- Ensure fair access to resources, key person support, and communication with parents.
- Recognise that **individual progress** is not a competition and that **celebrating differences** is key to each child's well-being and confidence.

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