

PURPOSE AND PRINCIPLES OF RESIDENTIAL CARE

PURPOSE

- To deliver the highest quality of care, and support and exceed the National Minimum Care Standards
- To offer a breadth of experience based on our 24 hour curriculum
- To work in partnership with families, Family Support Worker, Teachers, Therapists, Medical and other professionals
- To provide a safe and caring environment in which to develop the child's social and interpersonal skills
- To provide a vast array of Life Skills part of which will focus on inclusiveness in the community and the achievement of independence
- To create a happy, relaxed environment where children can have fun and are always supported
- To learn and develop through play and to interact in a social setting with peers and adults
- To use our field of knowledge to meet the individual needs of the children
- To encourage and develop children's confidence and self esteem

PRINCIPLES

- Children have the right to be safe and protected from harm
- Children have the right to be listened to and to have access to staff who are prepared to support them
- Children have the right to communicate with home and family
- Children should be encouraged to be as independent as they are able
- Children should be valued for their individuality and their own cultural needs
- Praise and encouragement should be integral to a child's learning in a safe and caring environment
- Children should be allowed to learn from their mistakes