



Observations Policy

As a childcare provider who follows the EYFS Statutory Framework it is required that we make observations of the children we care for.

The Tithe Barn Preschool will:

- Make systematic observations and assessments of each child's achievements, interests and learning styles
- Use these observations and assessments to identify learning priorities and plan relevant and motivating learning experiences for each child
- Match their observations to the expectations of the Early Learning Goals
- Share these observations and assessments with Ofsted, other professionals and childcare providers
- Create 'Learning Journals' with photos, images and written observations

The Learning Journey will be shared on a termly basis (approximately 12 weeks), and parents are encouraged to comment on the achievements of their child.

The observations will be kept confidential except for sharing with Ofsted, other professionals and your child's childcare providers, for example, other settings your child attends.

When the child leaves our setting these observations are given to the family to help the transition to a new setting and a precious keepsake of their time with us.

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Signed: