

# **Starting Point Childcare Centre's Core Values**

#### Respect for Others

At Starting Point we highly value the whole group and the individual's contribution within the group. We encourage inclusion in all play as well as mutual respect, cooperation and self-respect, as these are the foundations for first friendships away from the child's family relationships. We also respect the views of parents and carers and work together to maintain a high quality educational and care setting.

## Respect for Self

Starting Point promotes respect for individual's choice of play, dress, culture and ideas through valuing the uniqueness and differences within the individuals. We build on the child's abilities and skills in order to promote a positive self esteem, self awareness and self concept, during the hours, however many, are spent at Starting Point.

## • A Safe and Secure Environment

At Starting Point we value a kind, safe and secure environment in which we encourage children to learn to take the view points of others and to think before they act. We aim to encourage the children to learn to resolve conflict and express their needs and feelings without hurting others both emotionally and physically. We use appropriate language to help the children to resolve conflicts and respect others within the environment.

#### Curiosity and Enjoyment of Learning

Starting Point supports children's natural curiosity for learning and developing. Encouraging risk taking within a safe environment to build confidence in their abilities' through play and learning. We also encourage a happy and fun environment for each individual so that they can experience the joy of discovery.