



BE ON STAGE & SCREEN

# **9 AIMS FOR LITTLE BEANS**

**We will be supporting our Little Beans as they learn to engage with others and their environment. Playing and exploring, Active learning and Creating and thinking critically underpin learning and development across all areas of our Early Years Classes.**

## **1. Expressive Arts (EA&D)**

The Aim is for our Little Beans to experience an exciting and magical journey through the use of Music, Dance, Role play and Stories. Our use of improvisation and pretend play will help them to use their imaginations and creativity whilst working cooperatively as part of a group to develop and act out a narrative.

## **2. Confidence and self-awareness (PSED)**

We Aim to develop our Little Beans into confident individuals, who allow themselves to try out new experiences and meet new friends without feeling shy or anxious. Throughout our classes, we aim to gently build up their self-esteem so that they can speak aloud and present themselves to others.

## **3. New Friendships (PSED)**

As our Little Beans meet up each week, our Aim will be to encourage them to play co-operatively, taking account of other's ideas when organizing activities and to build positive relationships.

## **4. Feelings and Behaviour (PSED)**

The Aim will be to work as part of a group, following routines and class rules. They will be taught how to 'act out' a variety of emotions in a safe environment to help them understand their own feelings and develop empathy towards others.

## **5. Physical (PD)**

Whether it is a simple piece of choreography or playing an instrument, the Aim of our sessions is to help our little beans gain increasing control and co-ordination in large and small movements. They will learn to move confidently in a range of different ways developing control over their growing bodies.

## **6. Listening and Attention (C&L)**

Using stories, rhymes and games, the Aim is for our Beans to learn to focus their attention, listen carefully and follow directions. Through these activities the children will develop their abilities to work together, share ideas and listen to each other.

## **7. Understanding and Speaking (C&L)**

We Aim to extend the Little Beans vocabulary by offering a range of experiences, feelings, and ideas. They will use language and gestures to express themselves effectively to imagine and recreate roles, characters and experiences in their lessons.

## **8. Numbers and Shapes (M)**

Whether it be singing a song, speaking a rhyme or acting out a story we aim to include some mathematical themes whether it be with the use of numbers, counting, shapes, sizes or positions.

## **9. Understand their world (UtW)**

Exploring different themes with our Beans each week, we aim to introduce them to a variety of situations, cultures, and events. Developing a knowledge of the world around them teaches children to be accepting of similarities and differences between themselves and others.