

Key person's role and responsibilities

Valuing Compassion, Community, Endurance, Friendship, Hope, Respect,
Thankfulness, Wisdom

The Key Person has special responsibilities for working with a small number of children and their families.

Young children require consistency of care and attachments.

The responsibility of the Key Person is as follows:

- To build a relationship with the child to enable the child to feel safe and secure in the Nursery environment
- To know the interests and stage of development of their key children
- To monitor the emotional, intellectual and physical development of the key children. This is carried out through observations and assessments. The outcomes are shared with the child and parents/carers and are used to support the individual planning for the child, 'what comes next?'
- To work closely in partnership with the parents/carers, observations and assessments are paramount to the wellbeing and development of the child
- To support the child and family with their transition onto school

The Nursery also provides a second Key Person for each child. The role of the second person is to liaise and work in partnership with the parent/carer in the absence of the Key Person