



Every Child Matters - Safeguarding children

The Every Child Matters agenda was the government's plan to reform and improve children's care and was written in direct response to the inquiry into the death of eight-year-old Victoria Climbié.

In the Children Act: Every Child Matters (2004), the government set out its policy and provided the framework which all of us working with babies, children and young adults from birth to 19 must adhere to. Although the current government has moved away from ECM (the Self-Assessment categories are no longer based on it) it has not been specifically 'repealed'.

Educating our young children and supporting them to lead safe, happy, healthy and successful lives, both now and in the future, is at the very heart of what we do at Apples and Honey Nursery. As such, we have decided to keep this agenda in mind and within our policy documentation.

We ensure that our curriculum and provision play a fundamental role in helping to promote all of the five outcomes of Every Child Matters, which are:

- To stay safe
- To be healthy
- To enjoy and achieve
- To attain economic well being
- To make a positive contribution

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