

Crimond Nursery – Care Inspectorate Appendix

This appendix outlines how Crimond Nursery's vision, values and practice align with the Care Inspectorate Quality Framework and the principles of Realising the Ambition: Being Me.

1. Children's Wellbeing

Children experience a nurturing, safe and inclusive environment where wellbeing is central to all practice. Staff build strong, responsive relationships, ensuring children feel secure, valued and listened to. The SEARCH values of Safe and Care are central to daily routines and interactions.

2. Play, Learning and Development

Learning in the nursery is underpinned by play and exploration, with staff responding sensitively to children's interests and ideas. Children are encouraged to try new experiences, develop confidence and adapt their thinking through supportive interactions.

3. Responsive and Respectful Care

Staff know children well and respond appropriately to their individual needs. Positive behaviour is promoted through kindness, respect and consistency. Children are supported to understand and demonstrate respect and honesty in age-appropriate ways.

4. Leadership, Staff and Continuous Improvement

Leadership within the nursery promotes reflective practice and professional dialogue. Staff engage in ongoing evaluation of practice to improve experiences and outcomes for children, in line with Realising the Ambition and the Care Inspectorate framework.

5. Partnership with Families

Families are welcomed as partners in their children's learning and wellbeing. Communication is open, respectful and supportive, ensuring continuity between home and nursery. This partnership strengthens children's sense of belonging and security.

Through its clear vision, shared SEARCH values and commitment to nurturing practice, Crimond Nursery provides a high-quality early learning and childcare experience where children are supported to thrive.