

# Help A Village Child Fund

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Little Pippins is committed to meeting a community need and providing affordable, sustainable childcare for all families within the community.

Little Pippins is an inclusive provision and in order for all families to access it, we fund the Help a Village Child Fund to provide subsidised places at the Pre-school for some children.

The Fund originated from a donation to the pre-school from St Matthew's Church especially for this purpose. Little Pippins will continue to contribute to the fund by allocating 10% of local fundraising profits and will apply for grants and/or donations to supplement the fund when necessary.

The funds are available on application at the discretion of the Chair and Manager. The Fund will be managed by Little Pippins Management Committee and is dependant on funds available.

The Fund will be offered as fees on condition that the family also contribute to fees for booked sessions and where it is deemed beneficial for the child to increase the number of sessions attended per week.

The Fund may also be offered for ad-hoc sessions to support the family, for example, funding their child to attend an extra session at Little Pippins so that the parent or sibling can attend a hospital appointment without the child. This will be at the discretion of the Chair and Manager in consultation with the family.

Applications can be made to the Fund by Parents/Carers and will be treated in the strictest confidence. Recommendations can be made by the Health Visitor or Social Services.

The Fund will not be offered for more than two sessions per week. The Fund will not be offered to any family as part or full payment of fees in arrears.

All applications are dealt with in accordance with the Confidentiality Policy.

The Fund may also be used at the discretion of the Chair and Manager to fund enrichment experiences that will benefit all or a group of children at the pre-school.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Little Pippins Management Committee

Held on: 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Signed on behalf of the Management Committee: *K Dee*  
Role of signatory: Chair

Review date 2022

## **Related Policies**

Admissions and Fees