# COLLABORATION WITH PARENTS POLICY

### RATIONALE

Butterfly Preschool aims to make communication with parents as open, regular, honest and informative as possible. We value parent's contributions and involvement in their child's education and care.

### **TE WHARIKI**

Belonging – Goal 2. Children and their families experience an environment where they know that they have a place.

#### LICENCING CRITERIA

GMA2 and GMA3

## PROCEDURES

- At Butterfly Preschool we have an open door policy. We encourage parents/whānau to spend time visiting and becoming involved with our programme.
- Parents are welcome to share any talents with the children such as music, Te Reo, cooking, art, storytelling, gardening etc.

Teachers aim to verbally communicate with parents daily.

- Parents are encouraged to provide feedback 'whānau voice' on their children's learning stories or events that have taken place in their child's life. These will be shared and acknowledged by Kaiako.
- All tamariki who attend Butterfly Preschool have Story Park access and individual portfolios. These are available at all times for parents and children to take home and enjoy. Story Park is used to inform parents of their child's learning, upcoming events, photos and videos.

Daily messages are written on the white board at the entrance of the Preschool.

- Newsletters are given to parents providing relevant information about the Preschool, newsletters are done at least once a term.
- Aspiration forms are given to whanau annually
- Parents are invited on excursions.
- We will strive to have whānau days/evenings at least once a term. A Christmas party event will be held every year.

Parents are invited to give regular feedback on policy, procedures, internal evaluation and strategic planning.

# **COLLABORATION WITH PARENTS CONT...**

Parents are consulted on all policy and procedure reviews

Annual surveys are undertaken, including exit surveys when children leave Butterfly

All parents are given an enrolment pack once enrolled and a face to face induction ensures all information about Butterfly including fee structure, programme, philosophy, ow to access information, where to find the latest ERO report, policies and opportunities for involvement

Programming information is displayed on the walls of the Preschool

Butterfly Preschool has a parent library for parents to use at any time

Parents can arrange to have a meeting regarding their child with their Key Teacher

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