

# Bristol Principles of Ethics and Values for Research with Children

Guidance for settings and individuals that wish to undertake a small or large research project in an Early Years setting in Bristol.

All settings undertaking research should adopt the principles of the Unicef Charter of Research involving Children quality ethical <https://www.unicef-irc.org/research/278/hat>

In addition, all settings and practitioners undertaking any form or size of research or recording of reflections should be mindful of the need to:

Consider how they will ensure children and families are given genuine choice on whether to take part in research, the obtaining of consent and collection of information for research, as needed.

Listen to and value comments and ideas of all partners in research without prejudice.

Maintain confidentiality of participants at all times when collaborating and communicating information and findings.

Uphold the EYFS principles of the Unique Child throughout all research balancing the needs of the individual against the needs of the setting or cohort.

Be open to exploring and questioning of our own beliefs, and values that may impact our research including the language we use and way it may be perceived by others.

Demonstrate that the research being undertaken meets the Bristol Principles and Values of Ethical Research

Maintain confidentiality of participants at all times when collaborating and communicating information and findings.

Communicate the benefits of the research to the individuals and communities involved.