**Stepping Stones play and learn group**

 **Home – after school club agreement.**

**We will:**

* Provide a safe, warm, caring environment in which the children can thrive to their full potential.
* Create an environment enabling children to understand and respect each other’s differences.
* Encourage child led activities by learning through play and talk to you about your child’s session.
* Provide activities to develop their social skills and interaction with others.
* To encourage the children to access appropriate activities in the local area to support their independence.
* Develop an understanding of the world in which we live in and respect of others cultures, religions and beliefs.
* Create an environment where children can develop their social, concentration and listening skills.
* Work closely with other professionals offering a base for multi-agency work to enhance the lives of our children.
* Differentiate activities to provide equal opportunities for all children.
* Provide an environment which offers indoor and outdoor activities, using a range of resources.
* The co-ordinator will liaise with statuary and outside agencies involved with the child and will help to assist with form filling.
* As we are a charity run service, we will continue to raise funds which will help to provide equipment to enable our children to develop to their full potential.

**As parents and carers we will:**

* Tell you about our child, their likes and dislikes, what makes them happy and what they enjoy.
* Let you know if our child is ill and won’t be able to attend the session/sessions agreed.
* Be on time when dropping off and picking up and inform you if we are running late or have appointments to attend.
* Talk to our child’s key person or management if we have any concerns or worries and not vent concerns on social media or to other parents.
* Inform you or any changes at home, e.g. medication, changes of contact numbers or emergency contacts, change of address.
* Try to keep ourselves up to date with after school club dates and information e.g. reading newsletters
* Provide weather appropriate clothes and the essentials for our child’s after school club session e.g. nappies/pads, wipes, change of clothes, appropriate shoes etc.
* Encourage our child to be accepting of others, value and respect their rights, beliefs and religions.
* To understand that the after school club pick up is funded by the charity and to take responsibility by contacting Stepping Stones when my child is not attending.
* To support Stepping Stones fund raising events and understand it is a non-profit making charity that needs to raise funds to provide equipment etc for our child/children.
* Show our support for Stepping Stones by attending the annual general meeting. (AGM, held in the autumn term.)

**As children we will to the best of our ability:**

* Expect to be looked after and cared for.
* Expect to be helped when we need it.
* Expect to be independent at times.
* Have lots of fun and explore new things.
* Be willing to have ago.
* Play alongside our peers and form good relationships with others around us.
* Take part in a variety of activities and keep on trying.
* Enjoy our learning/ social experience in the after school club environment.

Signed by parent/carer: ………………………………………………………………………

Name of child:………………………………………………………………………………………..

Date:…………………………………….