

PRECIOUS LITTLE SOULS HOME NURSERY

1st September 2026 *This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis.*

Screen-Use Policy

(Updated for EYFS 2026 – statutory requirement to have regard to screen-use guidance)

Purpose

To ensure screen use within Precious Little Souls Home Nursery is safe, limited, purposeful and developmentally appropriate, in line with the EYFS 2026 requirement to follow official screen-use guidance.

Policy Statement

Screen use is **minimal** within the setting and is only used to support children's learning, creativity or communication. Screens are **never used** as a substitute for interaction, play or supervision. All screen use is planned, supervised and age-appropriate.

Principles

- Screens are used **sparingly** and only for educational or creative purposes.
- Children are **never left alone** with a device.
- Screen time is **supervised at all times**.
- Screen use is **not part of daily routine** and is only introduced when it enhances learning.
- Parents are informed if screens are used for a specific activity.

Appropriate Uses of Screens

Screens may be used for:

- Music and movement sessions
- Short educational clips linked to learning themes
- Viewing photos or videos for learning journals

- Occasional group activities such as story animations

Screens are **not** used for:

- Passive entertainment
- Long periods of viewing
- Replacing interaction or play
- Behaviour management

Digital Safety

- All devices are password-protected.
- Children are not permitted to browse the internet.
- Photos are stored securely and deleted after use.
- No child is photographed without parental consent.
- Online content is checked for suitability before use.

Parent Communication

Parents are informed:

- When screens are used
- Why they are used
- How long they are used for
- What content is shown

Review & Monitoring

Screen use is monitored regularly to ensure it remains purposeful, safe and minimal.