

Hygiene Policy

Statement of Intent

Weare Academy Church of England First School and Rainbow Woods Pre-School wants all children and their families to enjoy their time, to feel and be safe in the environment provided.

<u>Aim</u>

To provide a hygienic and safe environment for children and other users of Rainbow Woods Pre-School.

To educate the children of Rainbow Woods Pre-School in good hygiene practices.

<u>Methods</u>

• The premises are cleaned regularly by cleaning staff. General cleanliness is checked each morning before the equipment is set up.

• Children are encouraged to wash their hands after using the toilet or being changed. Staff model this good practice.

• Hand washing is a routine event before children and staff enjoy their snack.

• Children are encouraged to use tissues to wipe their own nose and to dispose of the tissue in the bin. Where a child needs assistance wiping their nose, adults assist and model correct disposal of the tissues afterwards.

• Rubbish is disposed of in bins, which are emptied outside after the session. All food and drink waste is taken outside for disposal.

• Staff wash hands and wipe all surfaces before preparation of food and drinks. Staff follow their Food Hygiene training good practices. Tables for eating snacks from are wiped before snacks are served.

• Toys and other equipment are cleaned and replaced on a regular basis and as required.

• The Hygiene Policy is an integral part of the induction of a new member of staff and is discussed with the staff by the Manager.

• Good hygiene is regularly discussed with children through general conversation and through planned activities.

• Soiled clothing is bagged for children to take home. It is stored out of the reach of children until the end of the session and handed directly to the parent or carer by a member of staff.

• In the event of an infectious disease pandemic, tables are never overcrowded during mealtimes. Some social distancing is encouraged even though it is acknowledged that children will play in close proximity for the rest of the session. Additional hand-washing and the application of hand sanitiser will increase during this time, as advised by the Wessex Learning Trust and Public Health England.

See also: Health and Safety Policy Personal and Intimate Care Policy First Aid Policy

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