



Animals in the setting

Promoting health and hygiene

Policy Statement

Children learn about the natural world, its animals and other living creatures, as part of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum. This may include contact with animals, or other living creatures, either in the setting or in visits. We aim to ensure that this is in accordance with sensible hygiene and safety controls, after contact children wash hands with antibacterial soap and areas used are cleaned thoroughly, and then sprayed with an antibacterial spray.

Procedures

Visits to farms

- Before a visit to a farm a risk assessment is carried out - this may take account of safety factors listed in the farm's own risk assessment which should be viewed.
- The outings procedure is followed.
- Children wash their hands after contact with animals.
- Outdoor footwear worn to visit farms are cleaned of mud and debris and should not be worn indoors.

This Policy was adopted at a meeting of Beehive and Honeycomb Nursery 17th June 2013

Signed

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