

Safety & Suitability of Premises, Environment and Equipment

Breastfeeding Welcome Setting



Policy statement

Wroughton Preschools welcomes babies to be breastfed in any area of the premises.

How we will make this happen

All staff will support the needs and rights of mothers breastfeeding. Mothers may choose a suitable place to feed their baby or may request to take their baby to a quiet area if they would prefer. The staff will ensure the needs of the mother are met, providing a chair and a drink if requested.

If another visitor to the setting objects to discreet breastfeeding, they should be told that the Managing committee supports breastfeeding. If the situation cannot be resolved readily, the visitor will be referred to the Supervisor or the deputy.

All staff will be aware of this policy.

A copy of the policy will be kept in the Preschool hall.

Distributing and updating this policy will be the responsibility of the Preschool Chair and Administration Supervisor who will be glad to hear comments and reports of any incidents.

If a staff member feels they need more guidance on this, they should speak to the Supervisor or Chair.

Our staff will:

- Display stickers and appropriate signage
- Make mothers and babies welcome
- Display the **breastfeeding welcome** charter.

We are breastfeeding welcome:

- To support the needs of Preschool parents and visitors and be more family friendly.
- Babies need feeding when they ask for it. Their stomachs are very small, and breastmilk is digested very quickly.
- Breastfeeding works best when mother and baby are both relaxed.

- Hungry, upset babies will generally be helped to calm down and become quiet when breastfeeding. This is good for all our Preschool parents and visitors.

More information can be found at:

www.breastfeedingwelcomescheme.org.uk

Authorisation & Review

This policy was adopted at a meeting of	Wroughton Preschool
Held on	_____
Date to be reviewed	Yearly at AGM
Signed on behalf of the management committee	_____
Name of signatory	_____
Role of signatory (e.g. chair/owner)	Chairperson