

BEHAVIOUR POLICY

At Happydayz Nursery, we aim to provide a positive and consistent environment in which children can play and learn. We also work in partnership with parents by communicating and offering advice and support, especially when dealing with behaviour issues. It is recognised that all children behave in different ways and that changes in behaviour are usually a result of a change in their environment or a developmental stage. For example: Biting is common amongst the 18 months to 2 years 6-month-old. Happydayz Nursery will do its best to assist and advise parents or signpost them to organisations that can offer guidance and advice.

While your child is in the setting, we will encourage your child to interact with the other children and adults at the nursery. Sometimes however, children can exhibit behaviours that are not acceptable at nursery, these behaviours can range from, kicking, biting, swearing and sometimes inflicting harm to themselves and others. We understand that sometimes, this is due to them finding their feet and challenging others. There may also be a good reason for their behaviours, there may be a SEN that will need to be looked into. Other behaviours that are not acceptable are Not complying with turn-taking sharing and other social skills, Physical harm to the other children or themselves, repetitive damage to nursery property or the belongings of another child, as well as persistent bullying.

Procedure:

Staff will encourage children to engage at the nursery with the children and staff and will make the SENCO aware of any children who are exhibiting behaviours that are not acceptable and may need an intervention from the SENCo. Any such interventions will be managed by the key worker with the assistance of the SENDCo. All parents must be involved in this process. Staff must try to prevent unwanted situations from occurring by intervening before they happen. We have a variety of strategies that we use to deal with unwanted behaviour. These vary according to the age and stage of the child, the situation and other factors such as tiredness.

These include:

Verbal warnings, removal of equipment, distraction, removing a child from the situation, reminders and if appropriate, time out.

Use this [LINK](#) to access reasons for biting

Use this [LINK](#) to reduce biting

Code of Practice

At Happydayz Nursery it is important to us to understand why a child is showing signs of distress, and we will work together with the parents and the child to find a way that can help all involved. Any suspected SEN will be recognised and dealt with by the staff at the setting and parents will be asked to continue any plans we may have in place at home to encourage their child to learn how to control their outbursts by understanding their emotions. If there becomes an issue that no intervention is helping and the child is beginning to be disruptive or inflict pain on others, there will be an exclusion or suspension from the nursery with immediate effect, if all measures have been put in place beforehand to help the child.

Related Policies and Documentation

- [Behaviour Management Policy](#)
- [Biting Policy](#)
- [Behaviour Plan](#)
- [Bullying Policy](#)
- [Behaviour Help as of the EYFS](#)
- [Suspension & Exclusion Policy](#)
- [Suspension and Exclusion Form](#)
- [Physical Intervention policy](#)
- [Working in partnership with parents' Policy](#)

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Policy approved by..... on:(Management of Happydayz Nursery)

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