

FOOD MANAGEMENT POLICY

The context in which this sample is to be used is described on page 51.

AIMS

The Nursery will adopt a Policy that will ensure that the standards of the table manners and behavior which is expected will be consistent. Meal times should be happy, social occasions for staff and children alike.

GENERAL PROCEDURES

1. Individual dietary requirements will be respected.
2. If a child does not finish his first course, he will be given a small helping of dessert.
3. Staff will set a good example of good table manners.
4. Cultural differences in eating habits will be respected.
5. Children will be encouraged to say 'Please' and "Thank You' and to sit still.
6. Children will be encouraged to wait before starting their meal until all the others have been served.
7. Conversation will be encouraged, but no shouting.
8. Any child who shows signs of distress will have his food removed without any fuss.
9. Children not on special diets will be encouraged to eat a small piece of everything.
10. Staff will set a good example by eating the same food as the children.
11. Children who are slow eaters will be given time and not rushed.
12. Quantities will taken account of the ages of the children.
13. Children will be encouraged, where reasonably possible, to wait until everybody has finished before starting on their sweet.
14. Menus will be displayed for parents to see.