



General welfare Requirement: Safeguarding and Promoting Children's welfare
The Prover must promote the good health of the children, take necessary steps to prevent the spread of infection, and to take appropriate action when they are ill.

Promoting Health and Hygiene - No Smoking/Vaping

Policy statement

At Cherry Blossom Nursery and Preschool we are committed to promoting children's health and well-being. Smoking/Vaping has proved to be a health risk and therefore in accordance with legislation Cherry Blossom operates a strict No Smoking policy within its buildings and grounds.

Procedures

All persons must not smoke/use E-cigarettes whilst on the premises or grounds of Cherry Blossom Nursery, preschool and Playcentre. This applies to staff, students, parent and carers, contractors and any other visitors to the setting/playcentre.

Staff accompanying children outside the nursery are not permitted to smoke/vape. We also request that parents accompanying children on outings refrain from smoking/vaping whilst caring for the children.

Staff must not smoke/vape whilst wearing nursery uniform as it is essential that staff are a positive role model to children and promote a healthy lifestyle.

If staff choose to smoke on their breaks, they must cover or change from their uniform into their own clothing, this also prevents the risk of second hand smoke and do so away from the nursery entrance.

We respect that smoking/vaping is a personal choice, although as an organisation we support healthy lifestyles. We aim to help staff and parents to stop smoking/vaping by:

- Providing information for parents and staff of where to help with quitting smoking.
 - Facts and leaflets available for staff and parents.
 - Offering in house support
- Encourage healthy lifestyle choices by providing information in staff room of local community events that can help with quitting i.e. activities and classes.

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