

Stower Vale Pre-School

HYGIENE POLICY

Maintaining high standards of cleanliness and hygiene is fundamental to the work of Stower Vale Pre-School. This responsibility is part of the job description of all members of staff,

All staff will be expected to keep the area they are responsible for clean and tidy. Over and above this, there is an expectation that everyone – staff, children and parents – will take responsibility for maintaining the tidiness of all areas of the setting, indoors and out.

By maintaining high standards of hygiene in the setting, the opportunities for transmission of bacteria and viruses can be kept to a minimum, leading to less sickness among children and adults. All staff and children will follow the recommended periods to stay home dependant on the illness, information on recommendations are given to parents in the Parent Policies. Posters are displayed around the setting regarding handwashing and the avoidance of spreading germs. All staff are given appropriate information regarding common infections and how to avoid spreading germs. The Pre-School employ a regular cleaner.

All staff are expected to follow the setting’s procedures when cleaning surfaces before children’s mealtimes, changing nappies, helping children to use the toilets or cleaning up after spillages. Regular monitoring of these procedures will be carried out by the Play Leader and lapses will be dealt with swiftly and appropriately.

Staff will be expected to act as good role models for children in all aspects of cleanliness and personal hygiene. Hand washing routines will be strictly adhered to and children will be helped to understand the importance of washing their hands regularly.

Agreed by.....

Authorised signatory.....

Date.....Date of review.....