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Behaviour Policy

Abacus recognises that all children are individuals and this includes their behaviour.

At ALL times, Abacus encourages good behaviour and manners towards each other and the staff, to foster a caring attitude towards everyone.

Children are always praised for good behaviour either as a group or individually.

To encourage continual good behaviour extra privileges are given to those children who appreciate the responsibility e.g. taking the lead in an activity. Stickers are awarded to the children on a regular basis and certificates are gained at appropriate points.

The children are encouraged to; be polite, be helpful, be caring, be truthful, share, play carefully, take turns and understand others' needs, feelings and property.

As a setting we promote the "Ok rules," which we talk about daily and praise and encourage throughout the day. They are:

- we are kind
- we share
- we take turns
- we look and listen
- we use quiet voices
- we are friends

However, Abacus recognises that from time to time children need guidance regarding non-acceptable behaviour towards each other, adults and property.

Therefore, the staff will intervene where necessary and explain to the child/ren concerned that their behaviour is not acceptable, why it is wrong and if possible get the child/ren to do something positive e.g. apologise, or help in some way.

At all times the feelings of child/ren are considered and therefore on major issues at no time are any child/ren told off in front of others, but simply taken to one side to be spoken to. On minor issues a quiet word is sufficient.

Group discussions are necessary at times when behaviour has been particularly unacceptable. Talking to the group about non-acceptable behaviour means that a child is not being singled out, but will be listening.

In the case where the behaviour of a child has been particularly and persistently unacceptable the Manager will have an informal word with the parent/carer so that the parent/carer is aware and can assist with reinforcing positive behaviour with the child. The behaviour of this child will be monitored and if needed an action plan will be drawn up with the knowledge of parents/carers to show the behaviour that is acceptable. If we feel that we need more support, with parental permission we would seek advice from other outside agencies.

Abacus does not believe in singling out any child. Punishing or humiliating them by sitting a child in a corner or naughty chair will not be tolerated.

This policy will be reviewed annually

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Position held – Chair of Trustees