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## **EYFS Supervision of Children Policy**

### **Rationale**

In line with the School's Mission Statement we aim to help students develop their gifts and talents: spiritual and social; intellectual and emotional; aesthetic and physical through the provision of a broad and balanced curriculum, which is responsive to, and supportive of, their needs and aspirations, fosters intellectual curiosity and academic achievement, and motivates them to grow to their full potential. Our Mission Statement is distilled into our Vision Statement, and our aim is to develop our children, pupils and students so that they have "Strength of Mind, Strength of Values, Strength of Purpose".

### **Introduction**

In the Nursery, the safety of the children is paramount and the children are supervised at all times, both inside and outside of the building. The staff will always keep children under close observation and predominantly are always within sight and hearing. Children are always within sight or hearing.

### **Morning Care 8-8:50am**

This is staffed by a Teacher and a Nursery Assistant. It takes place in the Nursery playground or a classroom when wet. At 8.30am when the Swans begin their school day, at least two members of staff are left on the playground with Cygnet children.

### **Nursery Classrooms Swans and Cygnets 8.30-11:45am; 1-3:30pm**

The children work in age appropriate rooms with a key practitioner. They are observed at all times, by the Nursery staff. The correct ratios are adhered to. Where children attend a specialist lesson in the PS, the class lead teacher or the PS member of staff will collect and drop children. Two member of staff will be with a group of children not on the Nursery site.

### **Morning and Afternoon Play 10:30-11:00am; 2:45-3:00pm**

The children are supervised at play in the Nursery playground by 2/3 members of staff (depending on the number of children on the playground). All members of the Nursery staff remain in the Nursery building and are at hand if an incident should occur. A Paediatric First Aider is on the premises at all times. The playground duty staff pass first aid or toileting duties onto another member of staff at the Nursery entrance.

### **Lunch 11.45 – 1.00pm**

This is staffed primarily by three lunchtime supervisors and one member of Nursery Staff. The children are appropriately supervised in the refectory by these four members of staff. Staff are at hand to help the children make healthy choices at lunchtime. The children are supervised in the playground after lunch by three lunchtime supervisors. One member of Nursery Staff is on duty to help with toileting and first aid. Additional Nursery Staff are in the Nursery building if required.

**Story time 3.15 – 3.30pm**

This is taken by a member of the Nursery staff or Senior Leadership Team. All the Nursery staff remain in the building.

**Afterschool Care 3.30 – 6.00pm**

This is staffed by 2 members of Nursery Staff. The Head of EYFS is always on the Nursery Premises (or on occasions where they are needed in meetings elsewhere in the school, is always contactable via mobile phone). There is a qualified Paediatric First Aider on the premises should an accident occur. Aftercare takes place in the Nursery site.

**Staff**

Staff are responsible for all children in their care (whether this is a class of children, or a small group of children in a phonics/outdoor session, or children on the playground at playtime). The Head of EYFS will ensure that EYFS ratios are always adhered to. Where staff are unhappy about the responsibility of children in their care, they must inform the Head of EYFS.

**Review**

This policy is reviewed annually by the Head of EYFS.