



## **Managing Behaviour Policy**

Promoting positive behaviour is very important and we do this by:

- Giving lots of praise for good behaviour.
- Giving the children individual attention so they feel valued.
- Setting a good example by being a good role models.
- Listening to what the children have to say.
- Rewarding good behaviour (choosing next activity etc.).
- Using a good behaviour chart.
- Giving children certificates for good behaviour, sharing etc.

We help the children understand our rules, which are realistic, and we are consistent in the enforcing of them. We do not give out confusing signals - Saying No means No!

We are aware of the different reasons why children misbehave and will endeavour to keep to routines so that your child feels safe and is not over tired or hungry, however all children will misbehave at some time. We have developed several different strategies to deal with a child misbehaving, and use different ones depending on the age/stage of ability of the child and the situation. These strategies include:

- Distraction. Removing the child from the situation and giving them an alternative activity.
- Ignore. Depending on the situation we may ignore the bad behaviour as we feel it is being done to get a reaction.
- Discuss with the child. If the child can understand, we will discuss their behaviour and try and get them to appreciate the consequences of their actions on others. We inform that it is their behaviour that we do not like, not them.
- Time Out. Removing the child from the activity and sitting them down quietly for a few minutes.
- Removal of treats.

Staff members of T&D Childcare will never smack, shake or hurt your child. We will not humiliate your child. If your child misbehaves, we will let you know by either recording it on their Tapestry online journal or by ringing you later in the day after collection, since some children can become upset if the incident is retold in front of them. We will also inform you of how the matter was dealt with. In most cases the matter will not require any further action, punishing a child hours after an incident achieves nothing but confusion and upset.

If you have any concerns regarding the managing of your child's behaviour, please do not hesitate to contact us. It is important that we work together to manage behaviour to avoid confusing your child.