Gosforth Nursery



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At Gosforth Nursery we are committed to promoting children's health and well-being. This is of the upmost importance for the nursery. Smoking has proved to be a health risk and therefore in accordance with legislation, the nursery operates a strict no smoking policy within its buildings and grounds. It is illegal to smoke in enclosed places.

All persons must abstain from smoking while on the premises. This applies to staff, students, parents, carers, contractors and any other visitors to the premises.

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

Staff who smoke do not do so during working hours, unless on a break and off the premises. However, Staff who smoke may do so during their break make every effort to reduce the effect of the odour and lingering effects of passive smoking for children and colleagues.

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

- Providing factsheets and leaflets
- Providing information of local help groups
- Providing details of the NHS quit smoking helpline www.smokefree.nhs.uk
- Offering information regarding products that are available to help stop smoking
- Offering in-house support.

This policy also applies to electronic cigarettes.

Legal framework

- The Smoke-free (Premises and Enforcement) Regulations (2006)
- The Smoke-free (Signs) Regulations (2012)