

BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT POLICY

When we observe unsafe, unacceptable behaviour occurring deliberately we will talk about safety in the preschool and then use one or a combination of the following strategies.

- Talk with the child about ways to use acceptable, safe, non-threatening ways to solve the problem
- Offer the child the choice of other activities
- Offer the child the option to stay at the activity, playing safely
- Re direct the child to other play activities

We will ignore any behaviour, which is done for attention seeking reasons (such as temper tantrums) as long as it is not dangerous and is not physically or emotionally hurting another person.

When unsafe behaviour is persistently repeated we will develop, in consultation with the parents/caregivers a:-

- Behaviour Management Plan. If appropriate, referrals will be made to the DECD Support Services.
- Where required we will formulate protocols for the behaviours of individual children. These protocols will be developed in negotiation with the child's family/caregivers to better support the learning of all children at the preschool.

In conjunction with these approaches to unacceptable behaviour we will continually talk with all the children about what to do when another child threatens their rights of safety. We will encourage children to:-

- Tell the other child to stop the behaviour
- Tell the other child why they do not like the behaviour
- Seek help from the teachers if the behaviour does not stop.

Behaviour Concerns will be discussed with families.

This Behaviour Policy will be shared with all new staff and families and children will be informed of behaviour expectations at the commencement of preschool, to ensure consistency in behaviour management approaches.