

# INTERACTIONS WITH CHILDREN HAWKER CHILDHOOD SETVICES CENTRE

- ✓ We believe that everyone has the right to feel safe all the time.
- ✓ Children learn best when they experience success and have positive self-esteem.
- ✓ We accept that children feel angry, frustrated and upset at times, and need help to express these feelings appropriately.
- ✓ Staff and parents need to share responsibility, being consistent at all times, creating a safe, secure environment for children, and modelling appropriate behaviours.

### ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR

Respecting and caring for others

Sharing and taking turns

Being co-operative

Being polite

Participating in activities

Being friendly

Listening

Helping

Using appropriate social language and

actions (eg. "please stop, I don't like that")

Valuing other people's property (including

something they made or built)

Walking inside

Washing hands before eating and after

going to the toilet

#### UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR

Hitting, Kicking, Spitting, Pushing, Pinching

Biting

Throwing - sand, stones or toys

Playing with sticks

Breaking trees

Climbing fences/gates

Running inside

Damaging property

Bullying

Racial taunts

Yelling and screaming (directed at an

individual)

Nam e calling

Swearing

When unsafe/unacceptable behaviour occurs, staff will:

- 1. Redirect the play or the child
- 2. Offer choices/give warnings
- 3. Talk about the problem (e.g. "what would happen if...") If the unsafe behaviours are repeated, staff will:
- 4. Use "time out".

Time out will only be for brief period and the child will not be left on their own. It will be carried out by staff.

Child can leave when time is up. If he/she leaves before, the time will begin again.

## Staff will:

Model appropriate behaviour

Provide opportunities for children to take

risks and experience success

Be positive

Value children as individuals

Encourage children to accept responsibility

Provide opportunities for problem solving

Provide lots of opportunity for talking and

asking questions

Help children to recognise their feelings

Help children to handle their feelings

Make learning relevant and manageable for

#### Children will:

Be safe

Be happy

Become assertive

Be confident

Be relaxed

Share

Show initiative

Take risks

Solve problems

Be able to communicate effectively

Be able to express feelings, wants and

needs

children
Be fair and patient
Be consistent and follow through when
managing behaviours

Be able to work together in a co-operative manner Respect others Take responsibility for their own actions

Please feel free to discuss any difficulties with the staff, we are here to help you.

## **Management Process for Extreme Behaviour**



## **ISOLATE**

Remove from other children.



## **SUPERVISION**

Maintain supervision of isolated child and other children.



# PARENTS NOTIFIED

Consult with parent about behaviour management strategies.

If parents not available arrange time to meet with parents to discuss behaviour management strategies.



INITIATE STRATEGIES With support of parents.

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