

# Food Play Policy

EYFS: 3.65

We ensure any food we use for play with the children is carefully supervised. All staff are responsible for using the following procedures to ensure children are kept safe:

- Choking hazards are checked and avoided
- We will not use whole jelly cubes for play. If we do use jelly to enhance our play, then all jelly will be prepared with water as per the instructions and then used
- Small objects such as dried pasta and pulses will only be used under supervision
- All allergies and intolerances will be checked and activities will be adapted to suit all children's needs, so no child is excluded
- All activities, including food, will be included on the planning sheets showing all allergens, so all staff and parents are aware of the ingredients
- Children's allergies will be visible to staff when placing out food play activities to ensure all needs are met
- The room leaders will check any cooking activities before starting to ensure all children are able use all the ingredients based on their individual needs
- We will not use food in play unless it enhances the opportunities children are receiving from the activity.

<b>This policy was adopted on</b>	<b>Signed on behalf of the nursery</b>	<b>Date for review</b>
<i>10<sup>th</sup> November 2021</i>	<i>RHarte/M Bentham</i>	<i>10<sup>th</sup> November 2021</i>