



CARE AND USE OF ANIMALS AT SCHOOL PROCEDURE

RATIONALE:

To expose children to animals as pets or for science observations.

PURPOSE:

To teach children to learn the needs of animals and to take some responsibility for their care.

GUIDELINES:

Classroom teacher responsibilities:

- 1) Animals are to be housed in a suitable safe habitat.
- 2) Animals will be provided with an adequate diet suitable to their needs.
- 3) Animal housing will be cleaned on a regular basis.
- 4) Normal animal smell is acceptable.
- 5) Animals checked regularly to ensure they are healthy.
- 6) Animal food will be stored in suitable containers out of the reach of children.
- 7) Animals will be handled with care and under supervision.
- 8) Appropriate arrangements will be made to cover care of animals during holiday times.

CONCLUSION:

Animals in the classroom and on school property will give children the opportunity to experience giving care and love to animals.

- ☒ If stray dogs are seen in the school grounds, could you please contact the
Senior Animal Control Officer at the Local Council

Review Responsibility: *DP & TIC Health & Safety*

Date Confirmed: 9 November 2020

Principal: *Karla Mitchell*