

Tudhoe Moor Nursery School



Policy for Transition from Home to Nursery

Policy Statement

The staff and Governors of Tudhoe Moor Nursery accept the importance of a carefully planned induction programme for its young pupils.

The staff and Governors of Tudhoe Moor Nursery recognise the fact that entry to nursery school is an important stage in a child's development. This can be a traumatic experience for some children and must therefore be customised for each child. A coherent plan of induction is necessary in order to ensure that every child's entry is as smooth as possible.

Tudhoe Moor Nursery staff and Governors believe that an induction policy is necessary to ensure the emotional stability and welfare of every child and the smooth running of the nursery.

Procedures

The children entering Tudhoe Moor Nursery School will be welcomed into a calm and caring environment in which they will have time and space to become familiar with their new surroundings and the adults that will care for them.

Tudhoe Moor Nursery staff and governors believe that a planned transition programme should enable all pupils entering the school for the first time to:-

1. Make a pre-entry visit accompanied by their parents when there will be the opportunity to participate in activities, meet the whole staff and familiarise themselves with the routine of nursery.
2. Be accompanied by their parents for as long as is necessary for the child to feel secure.
3. Benefit from no induction period if they have been through Jack in the Box and are familiar with the new staff and their surroundings.
4. Benefit from a staggered intake of no more than 3 children on any one day thus ensuring the individual needs can be met and appropriate comfort provided on a one-one basis if necessary (unless the children are coming from Jack in the Box and are already well settled).
5. Benefit from a shorter than usual session which will gradually be increased depending on the individual child.
6. No lunches for children until staff think they are ready for another new experience.
7. Be given time to learn to become one of a crowd.
8. The staff and Governors of Tudhoe Moor Nursery will continue to explain to parents the transition process as it relates to their child.

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