



## Animals and Pet Policy

Written by – Goldstone Giggles

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I own the following pets: A Cat called Shy

As the owner of pets, I have written this policy to share information with parents about how I protect their child/ren from harm when there are pets in the house.

Children learn from handling and coming into contact with pets and I will ensure they have a sustained learning experience by planning activities to help the children get to know the pets and how to manage them safely.

Children will have contact with the pets on a day-to-day basis and will be taught to treat the pets with respect. They will learn how to handle the pets safely under careful and constant supervision.

Children will be taught to wash their hands thoroughly after handling pets.

Food for the pets is stored out of sight and reach of the children and children will not be allowed to access the pets when they are eating.

Constant risk assessment will ensure children are safe in the house and garden: for example, I risk assess through the day to ensure pets have not soiled parts of the garden where children play.

**Meeting other animals** - children are taught that not all animals are friendly. My rule is that they need to be with an adult and to ask before touching animals if they do not know their name.

If you have any questions about my Policy / Procedures or would like to make any comments, please ask.

Signed – F. Wilson

Review date –