



No Smoking Policy

Policy Statement

Toddington Childcare and Forest School is committed to providing a healthy, safe, and smoke-free environment for all children, staff, parents, carers, volunteers, and visitors. In accordance with current Health and Safety Legislation and the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), smoking and the use of tobacco products are prohibited throughout the setting.

This policy applies to all indoor and outdoor areas of the premises.

For the purposes of this policy, the term "smoking" includes cigarettes, cigars, pipes, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes), vaping devices and any other smoking-related products.

Procedures

To maintain a smoke-free environment, Toddington Childcare and Forest School will:

- Ensure all staff, parents, carers, volunteers, students and visitors are aware of this policy.
- Display appropriate No Smoking/No Vaping signs throughout the setting where required.
- Include details of this policy within parent information and induction materials.
- Promote healthy lifestyles and support smoking cessation by signposting staff and families to appropriate local and national services where requested.
- Prohibit smoking and vaping anywhere on the premises, including outdoor learning environments and Forest School areas.
- Require staff who smoke or vape to do so only during authorised breaks and away from the premises.
- Require staff who smoke or vape to take reasonable steps to minimise the smell and lingering effects of smoke or vapour before returning to work with children.
- Ensure that no child is exposed to second-hand smoke or vapour while attending the setting or participating in off-site activities.

Staff Responsibilities

All staff are responsible for:

- Complying with this policy at all times.
- Acting as positive role models for children.
- Ensuring that children are not exposed to smoking or vaping during any setting activities.
- Reporting any breaches of this policy to the Setting Manager.

Visitors and Contractors

Visitors, contractors and other persons attending the setting are expected to comply with this policy. Any individual found smoking or vaping on the premises will be asked to stop immediately or leave the site.

Legal Framework

This policy is based on the following legislation and guidance:

- Health Act 2006
 - Smoke-free (Premises and Enforcement) Regulations 2006
 - Smoke-free (Signs) Regulations 2012
 - Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Statutory Framework
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Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually or sooner if there are changes to Legislation, guidance, or operational requirements.

Signed on behalf of Toddington Childcare and Forest School May 2026

Sarah Malcolm

Chair of Toddington Childcare and Forest School Parent Management Committee