



Pet Policy

Bumble & Bloom Childcare

This policy sets out how any pets in and around the setting are cared for and how children are kept safe.

Our pets

- Any pets in the home are agreed with parents at registration and any allergies noted.
- Pets are vaccinated, wormed, treated for fleas and in good health.
- Pets are never left unsupervised with children.

Hygiene

- Children wash their hands after handling any pet or being in areas where pets have been.
- Pet food, litter trays and bowls are kept away from children's areas.
- Pet living areas are cleaned regularly and any waste removed immediately.

Teaching children about animals

- Children are taught how to approach, stroke and respect animals gently.
- We follow the child's lead — no child is expected to interact with a pet if they are anxious.

Visiting animals

- Any visiting animal experience (farm, petting event) is risk-assessed and includes parental consent, hand-washing and adult supervision.

Review

- This policy is reviewed at least annually.