

### Bottle feeding Policy

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#### Rationale

As Sunshine Day Nursery accepts children from 3 months old the bottle feeding policy has been put into practice to ensure good practice and hygiene guidelines are followed at all times.

All Feeds must arrive at nursery already measured out either mixed in the bottle or powder measured out in a separate container and water measured out in the bottle. All bottles and containers must be clearly labelled.

If feeds are warm when they arrive they will be allowed to cool before being placed in the nursery fridge.

All feeds will be placed in the microwave for 30 seconds and then left to cool for 30 seconds. (this has been checked with environmental health who have assured us that it is safe to do so)

We have a bottle warmer that will be used on parents request.

Before giving a feed the milk should be shaken and tested on the inside of the practitioner's wrist to ensure that it is cooler enough to drink.

All children are fed age appropriately by a practitioner if needed who is seated in a position that is comfortable for them. A sofa is provided for this reason.

Any milk that has been heated that is left over after a feed or after one hour will be discarded.

Milk must never be reheated.

Expressed breast milk and frozen breast milk is welcomed.