

# BLIGH'S LANE NURSERY SCHOOL

## ANTI-LITTER POLICY

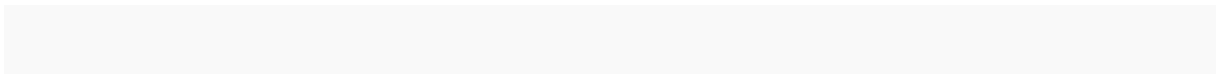


Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (BOG Chair)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Principal)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Review Due: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Rational**

Bligh's Lane Nursery School believe that children and adults have an entitlement to visit, work and play in clean, safe, litter free environment. We want to actively contribute to reducing landfill and so will reduce, recycle and reuse wherever possible.

## **Written By:**

This policy was written by the Eco School Committee comprising of both staff, 5 pupils from each class and parents. It has been approved by the whole school staff, wider school and children's centre community and the governing body.

## **Aims**

When planning for educating children about litter, staff will:

- Look for opportunities to encourage children to put litter in the correct bin
- Create opportunities to share information texts, stories, rhymes, and songs about litter either in our story and group times or during the session indoors or outdoors
- Plan the setting to reflect the importance of litter disposal through signs, notices, and books
- Make sure that children see adults modelling and encouraging children to dispose of litter in the correct bin

## **Guidelines**

- We will risk assess the outdoor areas each morning to ensure that no hazardous waste has entered our outdoor play areas
- We will ensure litter bins are visible
- We will ensure blue recycling bins are clearly labelled with photo labels and words
- We will ensure the compost caddies are clearly labelled
- At the end of each session all children and staff will tidy up the area they are in and outdoors will participate in litter picking.
- At the end of each breakfast and tea session children will be encouraged to help tidy up and put litter in the correct bin.
- All indoor bins are emptied daily, but where there is little refuse in the bin, the contents of the bin will be emptied into a general refuse sack and the plastic bin liner will not be changed but reused for the following day.
- Compost caddies will be emptied into the compost bins daily by a parent volunteer with a small group of children.
- We will educate children through story and group times/circle time sessions led by Mrs Doherty (Eco co-ordinator) and our anti- litter song/mascots – CLEAN CHASE & RUBBISH RUBBLE.
- We will recycle stamps, batteries and print cartridges (not Epsom) in boxes provided in the reception area.
- We will annually collect and recycle clothes as we are not able to have permanent provision.

## **Resources**

We have at least one general bin and one blue recycling bin in every area of nursery. In the office there are 2 recycling bins. In the Butterfly Garden there are four compost bins. In the school refuse area, there are 2 General refuse bins, 2 Blue recycling bins and 1 Brown bin. In the food areas in the kitchen and staff room, there is one compost caddy, one general waste bin and one recycling bin. In the outdoor area there is litter picking equipment stored in the shed for staff and children to use. In the reception area/shared area there are recycling boxes for the following: stamps, batteries, and print cartridges.

## **Equal Opportunity**

All children, staff and visitors are expected to follow our anti-litter policy and contribute to keeping our environment clean, safe and litter free. To ensure inclusion we will:

- Involve parents / carers, during their induction to nursery, to help us explain to their children about keeping the nursery litter free
- Be sensitive and supportive to children for whom English is an additional language – using their home language when appropriate and picture cues
- Respond to any difficulties in children's language development and understanding by using alternative and augmentative forms of communication such as visual cues, signing and PECS.
- Clearly label bins with picture and word labels and ensure they are of a height child over – 3 can reach.

## **Responsibility, management, and coordination**

- The Caretaker is responsible for coordinating general refuse and recycling collection across the site
- The Deputy Head is also the Eco School Co-ordinator and responsible for encouraging use of additional recycling collection
- The Eco School committee school staff are responsible for leading anti-litter teaching and learning in the nursery.

Agreed by Governors:

Review Date: