



## EARLY YEARS RATIO POLICY

### **RATIONALE**

To ensure the school meets the statutory ratio requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage.  
To ensure that the children have enough individual time and attention from adults within the Nursery,

### **AIMS**

- To provide high adult to child ratios.
- To allow children independence to express themselves in a well supervised environment.
- To provide children with a sufficient amount of adult support when needed.

### **THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK**

- Early Years Foundation Stage

### **PROCEDURE**

- Where a person with Qualified Teacher Status or Early Years Professional Status is working directly with children aged 3-4 years old there will be a ratio of one adult to 13 children. At least one other staff member must hold a full and relevant Level 3 qualification (as defined by the CWDC).
- Where a person with Qualified Teacher Status or Early Years Professional Status is not working directly with children aged 3-4 years old, there will be a ratio of one adult to 8 children. At least one other staff member must hold a full and relevant Level 3 (as defined by the CWDC). At least half of all other staff must hold a full and relevant NVQ Level 2 (as defined by the CWDC).

### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- It is Early Years Assistant Head and Phase Leaders responsibility to ensure that the adult to child ratios are sufficient throughout the day.