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## **Baby Weaning Policy**

## **Policy statement**

Cotswold Bunnies recognises the importance of weaning for babies, the importance of correspondence between staff and parents in this matter, the importance of suitable foods for children aged under 1 and the importance of how the food is prepared and offered. All this is with regard to possible allergies and possible risk of choking

## **Procedures**

Before a child starts nursery, all parents will have been sent a Registration Form where there is a list of weaning foods that parents must tick if their child has eaten the food 3 times at home.

For children aged under 1, there is a chart that parents must fill in detailing what food their child has eaten 3 times and how they would like us to offer the food (steamed, pureed, cut into tiny bits less than 1 cm square, cut in sticks or other)

For children under 1, The Manager, Deputy Manager or senior member of staff will have a conversation about weaning with the parents before the child comes into the nursery. They will check that the weaning chart has been filled in on the Registration form and if it has not, then the parents need to fill it in on arrival. If this has not been done the child will not be allowed into the nursery. The Manager, Deputy Manager or senior member of staff will photocopy the pages in the Registration Form that contain the weaning information and chart. These will then be displayed on the wall in the room where the children eat.

This policy was adopted by	Cotswold Bunnies	(name of provider)
On	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	(date)
Date to be reviewed	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	(date)
Signed on behalf of the provider		
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