



Early Learning and Childcare Centre

## **DUMMY PROCEDURE**

In the event that parents require their child to have access to a dummy whilst in Ferryfield, this Dummy Procedure will be adhered to:

- Staff will speak to the child's parents regarding their requirements for the dummy, as to when or under what circumstances they wish their child to have their dummy.
- Children will always have access to their dummy, in line with their parent's wishes.
- A named container with a lid, will be provided for each child bringing a dummy in to Ferryfield.
- When the child is not using their dummy, the dummy will be stored in the named lidded box.
- It is the parents responsibility to hand the dummy to a staff member, so that the staff member can place the correct dummy into the correct box.
- If a dummy ends up on the floor, it will be washed in boiling water before being given back to the child, ensuring the dummy has returned to an acceptable temperature.
- Only dummy's that have been stored in the child's own lidded box, can be used to comfort the child. This is to prevent infection and cross contamination.

Adopted by the Committee .....

Date .....

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