

ABC NURSERY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
POLICY 48: The watching of television / DVDs/ Computers

- 48.1 ABC Nursery accepts that it is essential that children are given a variety of opportunities to access a range of activities. These include television, media, talking books and IT opportunities.
- 48.2 The guidelines for using such equipment are:
- Children in the nursery will not have more than 15 minutes access to television or other media activities per day.
 - Staff will vet the product before the children view it, to ensure that they are suitable both in content and in length for the age of children that they are working with.
 - Where a DVD is shown it will be of educational content that ties in with or leads into previous or developing learning opportunities for the children.
- 48.3 Staff will respect children who are watching television or DVDs and will ensure that they do not talk over the programme allowing the children to concentrate fully on the content.
- 48.4 Staff will ensure that children watch the whole of the educational programme or DVD and do not stop it before it concludes unless it is a longer DVD that children need to watch over the period of two / three days as appropriate.
- 48.6 If weather is inclement and children are not able to go outside after they have had dinner. (To enable staff to clear the dinner tables and set up for the afternoon.) Then children will watch an educational programme should they so wish to. They will be given a choice of activities and not just offered television during this period.
- 48.5 Computers will not be used with children under 2 years 6 months on a regular basis but may be used to show photographs of the nursery. i.e.: as a slide show.
- 48.6 The nursery will respect parents' wishes if they do not wish their child to watch television or a DVD in nursery.
- 48.7 Complaints with regards to the watching of television and / or DVDs or the use of computers will be responded to through the nursery's complaints policy and procedures and the Nursery Manager must inform the Nursery Owner(s) that such a complaint has been made.

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