

31. Sustainable Practice

At **Sunshine Children's Centre** nursery we value our environment. In order to keep our earth safe and healthy for our children we closely monitor the management of our waste and its disposal in accordance with local authority requirements.

Staff are made aware of the need to minimise energy waste and the nursery uses appropriate measures to save energy including:

- Turning off lights when not in use. We have Passive Infrared Lights which are sensitive to movement and turn off when movement isn't detected
- Not leaving any equipment on standby
- Unplugging all equipment at the end of its use/the day
- Energy saving wash cycles on the washing machine
- Using a designated company to dispose of nappy, sanitary and bodily fluid hazardous waste
- Use recycling bins

We assess our nursery's impact on the environment on a regular basis and put procedures in place to counteract this impact.

Where age/stage appropriate, we help children to understand the importance of sustainable lifestyles including how to be healthy as well as recycling, energy saving etc.

This policy is reviewed annually and is carefully considered in the best interests of the children, nursery and the environment.

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