



TYPA Tiger Tots

Child Care Practice

Comforting Children/Cuddle Policy

Policy statement

At Tiger Tots Preschool we believe that cuddling children to comfort them when they are distressed is important for their emotional development and sense of security and wellbeing.

We want children to feel safe, happy, secure, and comfortable with the staff and for parents to have confidence that we will take care of their child/ren's emotional needs by giving emotional and physical comfort in the form of a cuddle in our role as practitioners supporting their children within the setting.

Procedures

- All staff, particularly the Teacher and Teacher Assistant work with parents to discuss how we comfort children who are distressed.
- Children's emotional needs are met by giving them a cuddle and sitting them on our laps when they are upset.
- Parents who do not wish us to comfort their child/ren in this manner are asked to state this on the Comforting Children page of the Tiger Tots Preschool Admissions pack.
- All staff offer unconditional regard for the child/ren and are non-judgemental.
- All staff encourage positive relationships between children.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Tiger Tots Preschool on
September 21st, 2020.

Cindy Summer

Signatory
