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Student Placement Policy

Bradpole Preschool recognizes that qualifications and training make an important contribution to the quality of the care and education provided by Early Year's settings. As part of our commitment to quality, we offer placements to students undertaking Early Year's qualifications and training. We also offer placements for school pupils on work experience.

We aim to provide for students on placement with us, experiences that contribute to the successful completion of their studies and provide examples of quality practice in Early Years Care and Education.

- We require students on qualification courses to meet the 'suitable people requirements' of Ofsted and have DBS checks carried out.
- The needs of the children are paramount. Students will not be admitted in numbers, which hinder the essential work of the Preschool.
- Students must be engaged in a legitimate childcare course overseen by a tutor, which provides background understanding of children's development and activities.
- Students required to conduct child studies and observations will obtain written permission from the parents of the child being studied
- Any information gained by the students about the children and/or their families or other adults in the Preschool must remain confidential
- We co-operate with the students' tutors in order to help students fulfil the requirements of their course of study
- Students under the age of seventeen are not included in staff ratios and never left unsupervised
- Students aged seventeen and above are only included in staff ratios when senior staff feel they are competent
- Students will not be permitted to take photographs of the children for their course work without written permission from the parent/career
- We require students in our setting to have a sufficient understanding and use of English to contribute to the well-being of children in our care
- We require schools placing students under the age of 17 years with the setting to vouch for their good character



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- We communicate a positive message to students about the value of qualifications and training
- We provide students, at the first session of their placement, with a short induction on how our setting is managed, how our sessions are organized and with a copy of our policies and procedures

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