

03 Food safety and nutrition procedures

Knutsford Community Preschool

03.6 Breast feeding

We recognise the important benefits of breastfeeding for both mothers and their babies. All mothers have the right to make informed choices and staff will ensure that clear and impartial information is available to all mothers. Staff will fully support parent's choices.

General

- Mothers are enabled and supported to feed their babies within the Preschool. Every effort will be made for mothers who wish to feed their babies in private to do so.
- Toilet and baby changing areas are not offered as areas for breastfeeding as these cannot offer a hygienic environment.
- If a visitor to the Preschool objects to a mother breastfeeding, the 'complainant' will be moved to an area where s/he can no longer view the mother. The mother will not be disturbed.
- Staff do not discriminate against any mother in her chosen method of feeding and will not dictate choices to mothers

Further Information and resources

Breastfeeding and bottle-feeding advice (NHS) www.nhs.uk/conditions/baby/breastfeeding-and-bottle-feeding/

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