

The Kinder Garden



Screen Time Policy

Aim

To provide an extension of the daily program, which assists in developing each child's social, physical, emotional, cognitive, language and creative potential.

Legislative Requirements

Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010
Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011
National Quality Standards 2011

Who is affected by this policy?

Educators
Staff
Children
Families
Management

Implementation

Televisions, smart-boards, laptops, computers, tablets and the like will be used as a supplement to program activities, not as a replacement. They are to be used:

- To extend experiences relating to the program, children's interests and current affairs.
- To be appropriate to the individual needs and development level of each child watching.
- To be capable of engaging the interest of the children.

Programs must be selected with care and content should be of suitable quality.

Programs/websites depicting violence will not be shown.

Examples of acceptable items for viewing include educational and factual video, e-story experiences, yoga and medication, communications with sister-services.

Educators/Staff are to sit with the children to discuss aspects of the program/website during viewing.

The Approved Provider/Nominated Supervisor will ensure that this policy is maintained and implemented at all times.

Sources

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Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011
National Quality Standards 2011

Review

The policy will be reviewed annually. Review will be conducted by management, employees, parents and any interested parties.

Reviewed: February 2017

Date for next review: February 2018