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| **POLICY** | **USE AND STORAGE OF CHILDREN’S DUMMIES** |
| **SETTING** | **OVERTON PLAYCENTRE** |
| **AIMS** | To allow children to use and have access to their own dummy, if required and to ensure that high standards of hygiene are maintained. |
| **Objectives, Statements and Procedures** | Children are allowed to use their own dummy in our setting. It will be given to the child as per parent/carer instructions.   * There will be an individual named storage box provided, when dummies are not in use they will be stored in this. * Each child’s dummy will be kept in separate boxes. * Dummies dropped on the floor will be cleaned in sterilising fluid before being returned to the child.   No child will be forced to give up their dummy and will never be made to feel embarrassed for using it. |

**This document is approved and authorised for the application with Overton Playcentre.**