

Whiteley Preschool believes that a thorough induction is crucial to support new staff, volunteers, and parent helpers to the setting. Please read this policy in conjunction with the induction and mentoring forms attached (if applicable).

## Whiteley Preschool will:

- Ensure an induction is started preferably before a person's start date or as soon after they start as possible.
- Ensure each staff member or volunteer is given a mentor within the setting.
- Ensure the mentoring system is explained to the mentor and the staff member.
- Ensure new staff are given a copy of all policies and procedures via our website or email.
- Ensure a DBS is completed as soon as practicably possible, ideally before commencing work/volunteering within the setting (this does not apply to parent helpers). For permanent members of staff DBS checks will be carried out termly.
- Ensure no staff member is alone with the children until the DBS has been returned successfully and their initial induction has been completed.
- Ensure new staff members have practical demonstrations (see induction form) and are not expected to complete practical tasks such as toileting children alone until approved by the manager.

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Signed:.....Chairperson