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Understanding Biting in Young Children

Why do children bite?

For many children, biting can be a normal part of their development. Babies bite objects as a means to exploring the world. When teething, biting into objects can help to relieve the pain and discomfort. There are of course many other reasons children may bite:

- To express emotions like anger, frustration and fear, when vocabulary hasn't been developed yet
- To gain attention
- In self-defence if they feel threatened
- As an extension of natural curiosity – what happens if I do this to someone?
- As a satisfying a need for oral stimulation to self-regulate, relieve anxiety or cope with stressful situations.

Unfortunately, biting can be a common occurrence as many children pass through this particular stage of development. Although many babies bite objects as a matter of course, older children can continue biting well into school life.

The most typical age range for biting is toddlers, who are struggling to deal with big feelings and don't have sufficient vocabulary to express themselves verbally.

We know that learning and creativity can often mean getting messy! Please ensure your child attends Nursery in old clothes to allow them to immerse themselves in their play environment and reach their potential.

Lost Minutes = Lost Learning

Bee On Time



Creativity
is
messy
and we are very
CREATIVE

Being punctual is important for children's wellbeing and security. Arriving late to Nursery school can impact your child, other children and affect the routine for the day. Please ensure you arrive at Nursery for 8:45am to ensure a positive start to your child's day and maximise the potential for productivity and learning.

REMINDER - FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY

The nursery will close at 3.40pm on Wednesday 9th February 2022 for the half term holiday.

We re-open on Monday 21st February 2022.

Have a lovely break!

Time to
Relax
it's
Half
Term

Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 8th February 2022



#PlayYourPart by.....

- **Enjoying all the amazing things there are to do online!**

Talk with your child about the games they enjoy playing and the videos they love to watch. Doing these things together is a great way to explore how amazing the internet can be.

- **Always being kind and respectful to others online.**

Explain to your child that being kind and respectful helps make the internet fun and safe for everyone. Yes, even their little brother if he's beating them on their favourite game! This is something you can show them in your own words and actions online too.

- **Making safe choices.**

Your child will have to make lots of choices when they're using technology and the internet, so talk regularly about what they can do to keep themselves safe. This might be keeping personal information like their name

For more information visit the website: www.saferinternetday.org.uk

Absence from School

Please remember to ring or email the school office if your child is going to absent for any reason.

The telephone number is: 01282-457235 Email: bursar@basnettstreet.lancs.sch.uk