



Animal / Pet Policy for Royal City Co-operative Preschool

We understand and believe that having pets and other animals in the classroom add wonderful learning opportunities for the children but we realized that they come with a great risk of bringing disease and risk of infection into the classroom.

Because of this risk we have decided to make it policy that we will not allow any pets or animals in our classroom except for fish in our fish tank. This includes pets from families as well as groups that bring animals in to educate.

In order to protect the children from any contamination they could get from the fish we will follow the following policy.

- Only the teacher or parent responsible for cleaning the fish will be allowed to do so.
- The fish will only be cleaned while the children are not present in the same room.
- After the fish are cleaned the area surrounding the tank will be cleaned and disinfected.
- The fish will be fed by the teacher only
- After any contact with the fish or fish food the teacher will wash her hands.