

Home-grown in Malvern **Pet Policy**

We believe that children can learn a lot from having contact with animals; however certain procedures must be followed to ensure the safety of the children;

- Children must be encouraged to treat all animals with respect, learning how to handle them correctly.
- Children must wash their hands after any contact with animals and understand the reasoning behind this.
- Children must be taught that not all animals are child friendly and that they should always check with the animal's owner before attempting to stroke or handle them.
- Children will not be left alone with any of the animals
- Food for the pets must be stored safely away from the children's reach
- Dogs and cats must be wormed and treated for fleas once a month as recommended by the vet.
- A high standard of hygiene must be followed, with careful thought given to the placing of the feeding and drink bowls of dogs and cats.
- The garden must be checked every morning, before the children are permitted outside to play, to ensure that no animal has fouled it.

Signed:

Date Reviewed: