



Kindergarten

**Dunedin Rudolf Steiner**

Learning with head, heart and hands

Health and Safety Reg. 46

## PROCEDURE ON PESTS AND VERMIN

**Rationale:** The Kindergarten environment will be kept free of pests and vermin to ensure a safe and healthy environment for children.

### Guidelines:

1. When evidence of pest or vermin is detected by any staff member. Management will be informed as soon as practicable.
2. Initial steps for rodents will be the use of traps left out while kindergarten is closed or a bait trap in a place that children do not access. Any rodents caught will be put in the outside rubbish bin and the traps will be out of reach and sight during kindergarten hours. If this does not resolve the situation, then management will contact a pest specialist.
3. Any possible adverse effects of the pest will be minimised as soon as possible with regards to children's and staff's health and safety.
4. Flies: When the presence of flies becomes noticeable, the room may be sprayed after session has finished and no children are present. Product to be used is Natural Pyrethrum or a similar natural product. All foodstuffs will be covered and benches and table surfaces will be wiped down before the following session. Dead flies will be removed.

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