

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

EYFS



Policy on Staff : Child Ratio

Date of review: July 2019

Policy Statement

At St. John's we provide a staff in ratio in line with the Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements of the EYFS to ensure that children have sufficient individual attention and to guarantee care and education of a high quality. Our staff are appropriately qualified and we carry out checks for criminal and other records through the Criminal Records Bureau in accordance with statutory requirements.

Procedures

To meet this aim we use the following ratios of adults to children:

In the Early Years Unit:

1.1 Children aged three years and over: 1 adult: 13 children, although the academy aims to achieve a ration of 1:8:

- at least one member of staff holds a full and relevant level 3 qualification;
- at least half of all other staff hold a full and relevant level 2 qualification.

In the Reception class:

1.2 - 1 teacher : 30 children (School Standards and Framework Act 1998)

1.3 We have 2 members of staff in the class at all times (one teacher, one teaching assistant). The class teacher is the key person for all children.

1.4 We hold regular staff meetings to undertake curriculum planning and to discuss children's progress, their achievements and any difficulties that may arise from time-to-time.