**Petite’s policy on Photography**

We believe photographs are a valuable tool for recording and assessing a child’s activities and achievements at Petites childcare.

Photographs will NOT be taken using our person mobile phones, they instead will be taken with Petite Childcare business phone or the settings Samsung tablets allocated specifically for the needs of the children and parents/carers. Childminders will not have their personal mobile phones on sight and nor will they be in reach of children.

Photographs will only be taken during normal play activities. Cameras will never be used in the toilet/changing areas furthermore no pictures will be taken while a child is having their nappy or clothes changed etc.

Only members who have an enhances DBS disclosure are permitted to taking photographs within the premises.

Parents will not be allowed to take photographs on our grounds without prior permission from management.

whilst pictures may be used as part of publicity of our service such as on our Petite Childcare Instagram page, no pictures will be displayed on our website, in the press or on television without parents/carers permission.

Uploading pictures with your permission is a way of being updated of your child’s progress and fun activities within our facility on our Instagram page, please be aware that pictures may be used for our social media account that is accessible to all.

Photographs may be printed and included in a child’s Learning Journey or displayed within the service or on the TINEY app that is accessible by only you and the management teams. Parents/carers may see their child’s Learning Journey at any time. Photographs will only be stored on the nurseries computers and can be inspected by management at any time. Photographs will not be kept for more than one term after a child has left Petite’s services.

Parents/carers will be asked to read and sign the Petite Childcare Photo Permission Form when their child starts attending the nursery. If a parent/carer does not give permission for their child to be photographed, all staff will be informed so that all reasonable steps can be taken to ensure that the child is not included in any photographs that is seen by others except the parent themselves.

“Our setting is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults at all times and expects everybody Working within this setting to share this commitment”.