

# Hubbub Out of School Club

## Missing Child Procedure

At Hubbub Out of School Club we are always alert to the possibility that children can go missing during sessions. To minimise the risk of this happening staff will carry out periodic head counts, particularly when transporting children between locations (eg walking through the school/ travelling from off-site schools to the Club or on trips out). We also have online access to the daily register through tablets carried by all staff. Children are signed in and out as necessary and these are checked regularly especially on days or activities that are happening off site. Whilst off site on trips, children and adults are required to wear hi-vis vests or matching orange Hubbub t-shirts as a group.

If a child cannot be located, the following steps will be taken:

- All staff will be informed that the child is missing.
- Staff will conduct a thorough search of the premises and surrounding area.
- After 10 minutes the police will be informed. The manager will then contact the child's parents or carers.
- Staff will continue to search for the child whilst waiting for the police and parents to arrive.
- We will maintain as normal a routine as possible for the rest of the children at the Club.
- The manager will liaise with the police and the child's parent or carer.

The incident will be recorded in the **Incident Log**. A review will be conducted regarding this and any other related incidents along with relevant policies and procedures. We will identify and implement any changes as necessary.

If the police or Social Care were involved in the incident, we will also inform Ofsted.

### Useful numbers

Police: 01622 690690

Social Care: 03000 41 11 11

Ofsted: 0300 123 1231

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Written in accordance with the *Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (2017): Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements: Information for parents and carers [3.73]*.