

Safety Policy and Practice

I believe that the safety of young children is of paramount importance.

In order to maintain the safety of both children and adults, I shall ensure that: All children are supervised at all times and are within my sight as often as is reasonable possible.

Children only leave my setting with authorised adults.

Adults do not walk about with hot drinks or place hot drinks within reach of children.

Emergency Fire exits are never obstructed. Smoke alarms are checked regularly.

Safety devices such as fire blankets and safety gates are in place.

Safety restraints in pushchairs and highchairs are used and are appropriate.

A register of children is completed as they arrive and leave the setting so that a complete record of all those present is available in any emergency.

There is a no smoking policy on the premises.

A first aid box is always available, it is kept in the utility room and children are made aware it is in case it is needed. We have attended an appropriate first aid course and will renew as needed.

Activities such as cooking and energetic play receive close and constant supervision.

Outdoor space is securely fenced. Equipment and toys are checked regularly. Broken items are repaired or discarded.

The layout of the setting allows children and adults to move safely and freely between activities.

Resources offered to children are developmentally appropriate, recognising that toys suitable for an older child may pose a risk to younger, less mature children.

Sleep is monitored frequently.

Safety checks on premises, both outdoors and indoors, are carried out each day.

Low-level glass is to a double glazed standard.

Outdoor play area is free from common poisonous garden plants.

Power points, cables and leads are adequately guarded.

Medicines and cleaning materials are stored out of reach of children.

Children have restricted access to the kitchen when meals are being prepared.

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