



## Child protection policy

As a registered childminder I am responsible for the welfare and safety of the children in my care and I will always put the child and their needs first.

I will always listen to the children and take what they say seriously with particular regards to any mention of abuse i.e. mental, physical, sexual or neglect.

I will take action where necessary, be this in the form of discussing an issue with the carers of the child (depending on the circumstances) or by reporting any form of abuse that I suspect to the correct authorities i.e. social services and Ofsted.

I will be aware of any kinds of abuse and these will be recorded in my incident and accident book as they are witnessed. On first contact with the carers of the child they will be asked to inform me of any significant bruising, injuries or behaviour changes before the child is left in my care. These will be noted in the incident and accident book and the carers of the child will be asked to sign the report.

If the carers of the child has not informed me of any bruising or injuries and they are noticed once the carers of the child have gone, these will be noted in the incident and accident book and the carers will be asked to sign on collection of the child.

Anything discussed will be kept in the strictest of confidence. Parents' permission will be obtained except when in the interest of protecting the child.



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