

Health and Safety Policy

The Health and Safety of your child is vitally important to me and with this in mind I have documented the following procedures that I have in place to support this. All the toys in my setting will be regularly checked and cleaned to ensure they are safe for the children to use. Any broken or hazardous toys will be removed immediately. Children will only be offered toys and resources that are suitable for their age/stage of development.

A quick risk assessment is performed by myself every morning before the children arrive.

Any sockets not in use will be covered with socket covers to ensure safety.

All the equipment associated with the setting will be checked and cleaned regularly. All equipment is fitted with the correct safety harnesses to prevent accidents, for example highchair and pushchairs. Car seats are checked regularly to ensure they are correctly fitted. Car seats have been bought brand new to ensure safety and will be checked and fitted by the store that it has been purchased from. I will check with RoSPA and have read and understood the following information: http://www.childcarseats.org.uk

My car is regularly serviced and MOT with a full service history. I keep the safety locks on the back doors working. My car insurance is for Business use.

The front door is always locked.

The kitchen and facilities in the setting are kept clean, following hygiene guidelines followed

I ensure that the children do not have access to any waste, the bins are emptied daily and any used nappies are double wrapped and placed in the outdoor rubbish bin.

I will ensure that children in my care must stay with me when we are away from the house. Young children will be strapped in a pushchair, older children will either be on a harness or wrist strap, or holding onto my hand/pushchair.

I have emergency contact details with me at all times should I need to contact the parents. These will be kept on my smartphone with a paper copy in my diary.

I strongly believe in working with the parents to teach the children in my care about safety, for e.g. crossing the road and stranger danger.

I will work with you to teach the children about making healthy food choices and physical exercise.

When the children are asleep, they will be regularly monitored and kept nearby (in lounge) so that I can check on them at regular intervals.

I will restrain a child if they are putting themselves or others in danger, for example running into a road.



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