



## Safeguarding children

### 1.6 Maintaining children's safety and security on premises

#### Policy statement

We maintain the highest possible security of our premises to ensure that each child is safely cared for during their time with us.

#### Procedures

##### *Children's personal safety*

- We ensure all employed staff have been checked for criminal records by an enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure & Barring Service and these disclosures are renewed every three years.
- Adults do not normally supervise children on their own, parents are in attendance.
- All children are supervised by adults at all times.
- Whenever children are on the premises at least two adults are present, this can include the parent.
- We carry out risk assessment to ensure children are not made vulnerable within any part of our premises, nor by any activity.

##### *Security*

- Our systems prevent unauthorised access to our premises.
- Our systems prevent children from leaving our premises unnoticed.
- The personal possessions of staff and volunteers are securely stored during sessions.
- We will use internal doors, safety doors and gates when necessary.

##### Children's Safety

- The Centre will not be responsible for any child left in their parents/carer's car, should a parent or carer decide to leave their child/children unattended in a car during the session.
- We will not allow children to use sharp tools such as scissors, knives, cutting or modelling tools without close supervision by a member of staff or parent/carer
- We will offer that children wear protective aprons whenever appropriate.

- We will not allow children any unsupervised access to equipment, cupboards or storerooms etc.
- We will keep our premises as tidy as possible and free from any hazards.

**Other useful Pre-centre Learning Alliance publications**

- Risk Management in Early Years Settings (2007)

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