

1 Safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults policy and procedures

Designated person/lead for safeguarding is: Flora Lau

Back up Designated person is: Caz Schmull

Designed officer is: Emma George

1.11 Death of a child on-site

Identifying

- If it is suspected that a child has died in the preschool, emergency resuscitation will be given to the child by a qualified First Aider until the ambulance arrives.
- Only a medical practitioner can confirm a child has died.

Informing

- The designated person ensures emergency services have been contacted; ambulance and police.
- The parents are contacted and asked to come to the preschool immediately, informing them that there has been an incident involving their child and that an ambulance has been called; asking them to come straight to the preschool or hospital as appropriate.
- The designated person calls the designated officer and informs them of what has happened.
- The trustees are contacted and Confidential safeguarding incident report form prepared by the designated person and designated officer.
- A member of staff is delegated to phone all parents to collect their children. The reason given must be agreed by the designated officer and the information given should be the same to each parent.
- The decision on how long the preschool will remain closed will be based on police advice.

- Ofsted are informed of the incident by the nominated person and a RIDDOR report is made.
- Staff will not discuss the death of a child with the press.

Responding

- The trustees will decide how the death is investigated within the organisation after taking advice from relevant agencies.
- The trustees will coordinate support for staff and children to ensure their mental health and well-being.

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Date to be reviewed	6 th September 2024
Signed by committee chairperson	
Signed by preschool manager	