

Physical environment policy

Little Paws nursery provides care and education within a safe and secure building and outdoor area which can has sloped access as well as access by steps. The atmosphere and environment of the nursery is welcoming to children and offers access to facilities and activities to provide a varied early year's curriculum that promotes children's development.

We are committed to make the environment available to every child and will take reasonable steps to adjust the environment to provide this access for children and adults with specific needs.

The nursery will complete daily risk assessments to ensure the indoor and outdoor environment is safe and suitable for children to be present. Any broken or dirty equipment will be removed from the area and manager will be made aware.

The outside area will be checked for litter and animal faeces before every session and items removed if found. In the event of snow and ice the walkways will be regularly cleared and kept safe.

Fresh drinking water will provided throughout the sessions and in the event of hot conditions children will be protected from the sun with the use of sun cream, sunhats and shaded areas.

If for any reason the nursery will not be able to open because of an environmental issue parents will be notified as soon as possible and the issue rectified.

During nursery operating hours the building will be used by and solely available to the nursery, its staff and children.

The nursery has an open layout with areas for noisy and physical play as well as one for quiet, relaxing play and where children can move freely from one area to another as they choose. There is a confidential space there staff and parents can speak confidentially.

Although the nursery has access to a full kitchen children will not have access to this.

Signed.....manager/owner

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