

Safeguarding children and child protection

Achieving positive behaviour

Policy statement

Bagshot Pre-School believes that any child has the right to attend the setting and access and enjoy all the benefits this pre-school education group offers. However, there will be occasions when, because of the actions of a child or the child's family, the duty of care to the other children and families at Bagshot Pre-School takes precedent, and that child will be excluded from the setting.

Aim

For all children to access and enjoy all the benefits of an early years education which is offered at Bagshot Pre-School, and where the duty of care will be to the majority of the group, which will mean that a child, or the child's family, because of their actions will be excluded from the setting. It would be at the discretion of the manager and taking into account the reasons for the exclusion as to whether this exclusion applies to siblings of the family.

Method

- At all times the duty of care will be to the majority of the children and families who attend Bagshot Pre-School. Having identified a challenging child through observations and discussions with the SENCO, concerns will be discussed with the parents/carers of that child
- The manager will be kept informed and any information will be treated as confidential
- Bagshot Pre-School will take advice from outside agencies and work with other professionals towards the best outcomes for the child. This will be done with the permission of the parents/carers
- The SENCO will make efforts to gain funding to employ Inclusion Staff who will work with the group to help the child integrate within the setting
- The Inclusion Staff will report on each day the child attends to the SENCO and the Staff about the progress and behaviour of the child
- Parents/carers will be made aware and invited to join any meetings with outside agencies and fellow professionals and we will be honest in the assessment of the child
- If in the professional opinion of the SENCO and Staff the child, after all the work by outside agencies and other professionals has been implemented, the child is not integrating with support and causing distress or actual harm to any children or adults in the group, then the exclusion of the child and his family must be undertaken
- This exclusion may be undertaken in a variety of ways: reducing the number of sessions the child attends per week; excluding the child for a period of time which can be for a number of days or weeks; or reconsidering the child returns when it is older, i.e. excluding for a term or half term
- If on the child's return, and with all the support in place to help the child integrate, their behaviour shows no improvement after a reasonable period of time (to be decided by the SENCO and the Staff in discussion with the parents/carers and the Manager, and having taken further advice from outside agencies and other professionals) then the child, and their family, will be permanently excluded from Bagshot Pre-School
- Any fees or monies will be refunded to the family.
- The exclusion of the child does not prejudice their attending any other setting of the parents/carers choice
- Any documentation which is passed to another setting contains all the information accrued by Bagshot Pre-School Staff, Key Person and SENCO

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Signed on behalf of the Pre-school

Susan Michel

Role within the Pre-school

Manager