



Oscar Bears' Day Care

Illness and Injury Within Our Care Policy

Aim

This policy aims to set out the procedure to be followed if a child becomes ill whilst in our care or suffers an injury whilst in our care.

We ask that parents do not send their child into nursery if they are showing symptoms of being or becoming unwell. Any child who is brought into nursery obviously unwell will be sent home immediately.

Consent

If your child becomes unwell or is injured at Oscar Bears Day Care we will immediately attempt to contact you. If we are unable to contact you we will also try to contact all alternative numbers.

Upon registration at Oscar Bears Day Care you will be asked to sign a form allowing the manager to act on your behalf in an emergency situation.

Becoming ill whilst at Oscar Bears Day Care

If your child displays symptoms of being unwell whilst at Oscar Bears staff will fully assess what is wrong and immediately attempt to contact the child's parents.

Staff will assess if the child has a temperature or a rash as well as feeding back the other symptoms to the parent. A staff member will be assigned to look after the child and ensure that they are as comfortable as possible until their parent is able to collect them from nursery.

If a parent has provided any medication and a medication form has been signed medication may be given after seeking verbal advice from the parents. (Please refer to medication Policy).

If a child requires any urgent medical assistance the emergency services will be rung and medical intervention sought. Oscar Bears Day Care also reserves the right to seek any urgent medical advice for your child.

Injuries

If a child suffers any serious injury whilst at Oscar Bears Day Care parents will be informed immediately and medical advice/ intervention sought.

Any accidents will be dealt with by a first aid qualified staff member.

All injuries will be recorded on an accident/incident form. Please see the policy on accident and incident reporting for further guidance.

Reporting

Oscar Bears Day Care has responsibility to report any accident, injury, or serious illness to any children in our care to OFSTED and a local safeguarding children board.

Oscar Bears also has a responsibility to report any notifiable disease to the local health protection unit.

We will also liaise with the health protection unit (if relevant) when ascertaining timescales of excluding children from nursery due to illness.

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