



Child Non Attendance Policy

We ask that parents/ carers phone or email using nursery software, before 9 am if their child is to be absent for a morning session and by 1 pm for an afternoon session. If a call or message is not received by this time and no explanation can be made, Springboard Nursery will contact parents/ carers through the contact information given on the registration form. We will continue to ring until contact is made.

If we cannot reach the parents/ carers, we will ring the emergency contacts supplied. Continued absences with no explanation may result in implementing our safeguarding procedure.

If a child is absent from a session that is non-funded, payment will still be expected.

If a parent/ carer has not informed Springboard Nursery that they are taking a break and they fail to bring their child to the required sessions:

- 1. Springboard will endeavour to contact the parent/carer by phone
- 2. If verbal contact is made, the parent/ carer will be made aware of:
 - a. How many weeks the child has missed
 - b. The last date he/she attended nursery
 - c. If the child is not funded, Springboard will seek reimbursement
 - d. If the child has not returned by an agreed date, then the place will be offered to another child.

The above information will be recorded.

- 3. If we cannot make verbal contact with the parent/ carer, Springboard Nursery will send the standard non attendance of springboard nursery letter to the parent/ carer after 3 weeks.
- 4. We recognise that due to unforeseen circumstances or problems parents/ carers may be experiencing, it can be difficult at times to get children into the nursery. As a result, we will endeavour to help in any way we can, although this is only possible if we are made aware of the situation.

This policy was implemented by Springboard Management Team: please note all policies and procedures will be reviewed on a yearly basis, unless there is a need to implement changes prior. Please note any updates and changes will be forwarded by email.

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