



## Adverse Weather Policy

During times of adverse weather, we will assess the building risk assessment. If we deem it safe, we are happy to care for your child as normal so long as you feel it is safe and reasonable to do so. We will assess the building throughout the day, if the situation is worsening over the course of the day we may call you to collect your child early or send out a message to update you on the situation.

We understand that during adverse conditions you may be late to collect your child due to travel problems. We will of course continue to care for your child and provide them with any necessary snacks/meals until you arrive (which may incur an additional charge). We would appreciate if you could call to update if you are going to be late so we can inform your child and they do not become upset.

Adverse weather conditions may also affect our usual activities such as community walks and other outings. We will not take your child out if the roads are not clear or it is not safe to travel. I would appreciate if you could ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather with plenty of warm clothes, wellington boots, hats, gloves, scarfs etc. Whilst time spent outside in bad weather will be very limited, we will endeavour to spend as much time outside as possible.

### **School/Nursery Children**

If your child's school/nursery has been closed due to the bad weather, we are happy to provide care for your child, assuming we have a space and so long as you feel it is safe and reasonable to do so. Fees will apply in this case. If you have been notified that your child's school/nursery is to close due to adverse weather during the course of the day, it is vitally important that you inform us if your child has been collected early, and that our services are not required. Fees will still apply.

### **Non-Attendance**

Please call and let us know as soon as possible if you are not going to be bringing your child. If you decide that your child will not be attending or you are unable to bring them, full fees will still apply. During adverse weather, unless I contact you, you should assume your child's place is available and that we are ready and willing to care for them.

I understand that these times can be difficult and that you may not be able to get to your work due to your own transport arrangements but that should not affect our ability to work. If you will struggle to pay your child's fees during these times, please do not hesitate to speak to me in confidence and we can arrange a payment plan over a reasonable time period to settle what is due.

We would like to stress again that it is down to your own discretion whether you feel it is safe to bring your child. You will know the route to your home best and are therefore best equipped to make that decision. The safety of your child is paramount.

Please do not hesitate to discuss this policy further with me if required.

