

Loss or Damage to Property

Purpose of Policy

Snuggle Bunnies Childcare (Nursery) accepts that on occasions children and staff may bring in personal belongings into the setting. However, the purpose of this policy is to inform parents/carers and staff of the levels of responsibility Snuggle Bunnies Childcare accepts when children or staff bring in their own possessions into the setting.

Snuggle Bunnies Childcare would prefer that children did not bring in their own toys and games into the nursery but accept that sometimes this is inevitable and unavoidable. We do if necessary, allow your child's comfort toy for sleeping to help them settle and when there are learning activities that encourages children to bring in a toy for instance, a teddy bear for a picnic at the setting.

Please do not bring your child into the setting wearing expensive wear or jewellery (religious purposes only). Snuggle Bunnies Childcare (Nursery) will not be reasonable for any loss or damage to items wearing at the setting.

Who is Responsible?

All staff have a responsibility to make sure that any personal belongings that are brought into the setting are kept safe. Snuggle Bunnies will provide a lockable cupboard for staff to keep their bags and other personal belongings secure, but all staff have a responsibility to make sure that their personal belongings are placed in the appropriate place and are not left where personal items could be at risk. Snuggle Bunnies Childcare would stress to all staff and

parents/carers the importance of not bringing expensive or irreplaceable items into the setting. All parents/carers and children are responsible for the possessions that they bring into the setting. Snuggle Bunnies Childcare will take as much care as is reasonably possible with children's belongings.

How will the policy be implemented?

Snuggle Bunnies Childcare will take as much care as possible to make sure the security of the belongings of children and staff are safe but will not take responsibility for their loss or damage.

All parents will be asked to countersign an agreement that Snuggle Bunnies Nursery accepts no responsibility for children's belongings when registering their child. A sign will also be displayed on the nursery notice board that states this.

All staff will be asked to countersign an agreement that Snuggle Bunnies Childcare (Nursery) accepts no responsibility for their belongings, if not stored and locked away in the designated place provided. If belongings have been stored away and an incident occurs, where staff's phones/smart device have gone missing then Snuggle Bunnies Childcare (Nursery) will investigate in certain circumstances, i.e., the possessions have been stolen by another member of staff or by a child/parent. We will replace the missing items on completion of a clam form. Staff who do not store their belongings in the secured place provided, will have no compensation should items go missing or get lost or damaged.

Parents/Carers

Parents/Carers should be aware that children brining in personal belongings into the setting, do so at their own risk. Snuggle Bunnies Childcare (Nursery) accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to any items that a child brings into the setting from outside.

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Date:
Counter Signature from Childminder (Manager):
<u>Staff</u>
Staff should be aware that brining in personal belongings into the setting is at their own risk. Snuggle Bunnies Nursery accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to any items unless they have been stored securely in a place designated for this purpose by Snuggle Bunnies Nursery.
Staff Name:
Sign:
Date:
Counter Signature from Childminder (Manager):

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