



# Acorn to Oak Pre-School Child protection & Safeguarding Policy & Procedure 2018

Child protection is a top priority at Acorn to Oak Pre-School and the children's safety is of paramount importance to us.

All staff are trained to understand the signs of abuse, we know this can be physical, sexual, emotional and neglectful or a combination of the fore mentioned.

Importantly we will notify the Local Safeguarding Children's Board and Ofsted immediately if there are any safeguarding concerns or allegations regarding any child in our care. If a child is in immediate danger or risk, we will call the Police on 999 immediately.

## Procedures

We keep up to date regarding Staff safeguarding training and legislation through media, professional publications such as Pre-school Alliance membership & magazine and through Ofsted updates via emails from GOV.UK

The above information keeps to the fore front of our minds the signs of abuse and the next steps we need to take to protect the child following LSBC procedures.

All information is accurately logged asap. All information is kept confidential.

We request all parents inform us of any accidents or injuries that their child has sustained in their care for recording. We will be guided as to what needs recording as small children are notoriously active and busy and some minor bumps and scrapes need not be included.

We will note changes in behaviour, info regard existing injuries, any comment from a child who gives us concern, deterioration of a child's well being, signs of neglect & soft abuse.

We will monitor any signs of radicalisation, extremism, Female genital mutilation, forced marriages, child exploitation and child sexual exploitation.

It is not our responsibility to attempt to investigate further but to promptly pass on accurate information to the LSBC.