



Abbey Wood Grange Day Nursery

Fire and Evacuation Policy

The manager has overall responsibility for the fire drill and evacuation procedures. These are carried out and recorded for each group of children every three months or as and when a large change occurs, e.g. a large intake of children or a new member of staff joins the nursery. These drills will occur at different times of the day and on different days to ensure evacuations are possible under different circumstances and all children and staff participate in the rehearsals.

Registration

An accurate record of all staff and children present in the building must be kept at all times and children/staff must be marked in and out on arrival and departure. An accurate record of visitors must be kept in the visitor's book. These records must be taken out along with the register and emergency contacts list in the event of a fire.

No smoking policy

The nursery operates a strict no smoking policy – please see this separate policy for details.

Fire drill procedure

On discovering a fire:

- Calmly raise the alarm by breaking the alarm glass
- Immediately evacuate the building under guidance from the manager on duty
- Using the nearest accessible exit lead the children out and take your class register, assemble at the nursery forecourt or in the event of a real fire the Church Car Park
- Close all doors behind you wherever possible
- Kitchen staff and directors to go straight to the baby unit to help take the babies out.
- Do not stop to collect personal belongings on evacuating the building
- Do not attempt to go back in and fight the fire
- Do not attempt to go back in if any children or adults are not accounted for.

If you are unable to evacuate safely:

- Stay where you are safe
- Keep the children calm and together
- Wherever possible alert the manager of your location and identity of the children and other adults with you.

The manager is to:

- Pick up the children's parents contact box with emergency contacts inc, staff register, mobile phone, keys, visitor book/Staff Attendance log
- Telephone emergency services: dial 999 and ask for the fire service
- In the fire assembly point area – (Church Car Park) check the children against the registers
- Account for all adults - staff and visitors
- Advise the fire services of anyone missing and possible locations and respond to any other questions they may have.

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