

Toys and Personal Possessions

Temporary Policy Changes

Covid-19

Childcare Practise

Policy Statement

At Ladybirds Nursery we understand that children may need to bring toys or personal possessions into nursery as a comforter on occasions, especially when they are settling in at the beginning.

At this time, we cannot accept any comforter, other than a dummy, from any child household.

This has been put in place to minimise the risk of any cross contamination happening from one household into nursery.

We understand that you child may need his or her comforter when returning to nursery for the first time after the period of absence since nursery closed, but we can assure you that your child will have staff to comfort them, and there are plenty of activities in nursery to distract your child.

We cannot accept any soft toys from home that your child will expect to take home at the end of the day.

We cannot accept soft toys to be left at nursery, as this is going to confuse children who only have one comforter, and want to transport it to and from home daily.

As soon as any guidance is relaxed from the government, we can change our policy, but at present it is in the guidelines from Gov.uk Planning Guide for Early Years and Childcare, section 3, to remove all soft toys.

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Date to be reviewed August 2020

Date Reviewed

The policy will be reviewed sooner than the review date should any new information be obtained