

## Safeguarding Policy

Attendance Policy

## **Policy Statement**

Cricklade Pre-School Playgroup wants to work with Children and Families to ensure that we deliver early education to a high standard and provide planned learning activities to help Children progress towards achieving early learning goals. To enable this to happen Children's regular attendance is necessary.

Parents are asked to phone the setting to inform them when Children are unwell and unable to attend and give prior notice of holidays.

When this does not happen on their return to the setting parents will be asked for an explanation.

## **Poor/irregular attendance**

Children's attendance is monitored. Whilst attendance at an early years setting is not mandatory, regular poor attendance may be indicative of safeguarding and welfare concerns that should be followed up.

In the first instance the setting manager should discuss a child's attendance with their parents to ascertain any potential barriers i.e. transport, working patterns etc and should work with the parent/s to offer support where possible.

If poor attendance continues and strategies to support are not having an impact, the setting manager must review the situation and decide if a referral to a multi-agency team is appropriate.

If children are on a child in need (CIN) plan or child protection (CP) action plan then any absences are reported to the social worker.

Any absences are also reported at team meetings involving the child.