

Stradbroke Primary Foundation Stage Entry-Exit Policy

Supporting the achievement of all children



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Aim

To ensure a safe, secure and welcoming entry and exit for all Foundation Stage children, parents and staff.

Guidelines

FS1/Little Teds

Entry

- The nursery gate on the drive will be unlocked at 8.30am and 12.15pm. The gate shall be re-locked at 8.40am and 12.25pm.
- Children will be marked on a paper register as soon as they enter through the nursery gate by the practitioner at the gate.
- All nursery and Little Teds practitioners need to be available to support taking children from parents/carers and getting them into nursery.

During the current Covid-19 pandemic parents/carers will not be allowed in nursery-see Covid-19 addendum at the end of this policy.

- Parents will supervise their child hanging up their coat, putting their name tag for snack and accessing activities.

The nursery staff will each have a specific job. (Minimum 3 staff)

- One practitioner will support any children whose parents/carers choose to leave before the register time.
- One will stand at the nursery gate, record arrivals on the paper register and watch from 8.30-8.40am & 12.15-12.25pm to make sure no children follow parents/carers as they leave or leave the premises unattended. This practitioner may need to guide parents to another practitioner if they require assistance to ensure they are able to watch entry and exits at the door.
- One will be available to answer parent's questions, complete the dinner register and deal with any problems.
- After the parents have left, the member of staff watching the nursery gate will lock the gate. All latecomers after 8.40 am and 12.25pm will have to ring the office number on 0114 2399320, the office will then let nursery know the gate needs to be unlocked. Persistent latecomers will be contacted by the early years leader to discuss why they are unable to get to nursery on time.
- The door into school from nursery is not to be used by parents/carers to enter nursery or school unless child is being picked up early or dropped off late. Notice on the door informing parents/carers of this and any staff member can challenge as to why this door is being used. (Staff discretion)
- In addition to the register the total number of children in nursery is recorded each session as well as the names and times of any latecomers/early leavers.

Exit

- The nursery gate will stay locked until the end of the session. The gate will be unlocked at 11.30am & 3.15pm
- To collect children early parents need to have made prior arrangements either with nursery staff or by ringing the school office. Their name and time of collection will be recorded.
- Parents /carers must inform staff if someone else is collecting their child. The person collecting must be at least sixteen. If they are unknown to staff a password should be agreed. If the

parent /carer is unexpectedly unable to pick up their child or late; they must phone the school and make an arrangement. Children will not be passed on to another adult without a password.

Home time.

- One member of staff will be at the door.
- One member of staff calls children to parents/carers.
- One member of staff remains with the children in the carpet area. This staff member will also deal with the first aid book.
- Children will remain on the carpet area until their parent/carer collects them.

After a child has been handed over parents or guardians are responsible for their safety.

During the current Covid-19 pandemic parents/carers will not be allowed in reception-see Covid-19 addendum at the end of this policy.

FS2

Entry

- Reception children begin their school day at 8.50am.
- Parents may bring their child into the reception classroom from 8.45to give an opportunity to speak to a member of staff if needed.
- A member of staff is present near the school door at all times. The caretaker closes the door at 9.00am
- Children who arrive late after 9.00am will have to be taken to the main entrance registered at the office and then brought down to Reception classes.
- TA's & meal supervisors are informed how many children are present each day by class teachers.

Any children being collected early must be signed out at the main office.

Home time

- Reception children finish at 3.15pm
- Children are helped to collect together all their belongings
- Children are collected from the classroom.
- All Reception staff are involved with children leaving school.
- Vulnerable children are held by an adult and passed to parents directly.
- Parents /carers must inform staff if someone else is collecting their child. The person collecting must be at least sixteen. If they are unknown to staff a password should be agreed. If the parent /carer is unexpectedly unable to pick up their child or late; they must phone the school and make an arrangement. Children will not be passed on to another adult without a password.
- Children not collected remain with staff and escorted to the office to await collection. A member of FS2 staff remains with the children until collected.
- If a staff member needs to talk to a parent/carer the child will remain with the staff member and the parent/carer will come to them.

Missing child

FS1/Little Teds

- If a child is noticed to be missing all the remaining children will be gathered and counted together on the carpet.
- A quick second search of the nursery will be made.
- One member of staff will remain with the children. One will phone the office for help and one will start a quick search of the school grounds. The head teacher will be informed as soon as possible.

- A thorough search will be made using all available staff.
- Parents will be contacted.
- The police will be contacted.

FS2

- After each entry into school and after lunch children are counted in or sat down to check all present.
- At other times in the day if a child is missing all the children should be gathered and counted together on their carpet area
- The classroom, toilet area, medical room, corridor and dining room are checked.
- All available staff are used to look.
- If a child is still missing the head teacher is informed and a thorough search made of the school inside and outside using all available staff.
- Parents will be contacted
- The police will be contacted

Covid-10 Addendum

FS1 and Little Teds

Once children are handed over to nursery staff they will be taken into the nursery or Little Teds, all staff will support with the process of getting the children into the nursery or Little Teds.

At the end of the day all staff will support with the process of handing children over at the nursery gate with one member of staff at the gate to ensure no-one escapes.

At home time all nursery and Little Teds practitioners will be available to help hand over children with one practitioner at the gate at all times.

If a parent/carer wishes to discuss something in detail with a staff member arrangements will be made for that parent/carer to be contacted via phone when a staff member is available.

FS2

Reception children will be met by all the reception practitioners at 8.40 in the infant yard.

Children will line up in their classes and parents/carers will stay on the other side of the temporary fencing.

Children are collected from the same yard at 3pm with again no parents/carers crossing over the temporary barrier.