



Noah's Ark Nursery Schools

Outings Policy and Procedures

At Noah's Ark, we view outings as a way of involving all parents in the life of the nursery and the overall education of their children, and visiting different places is a way to extend the children's learning beyond the classroom and also to have lots of fun whilst doing so! Many parents also find that being involved in school outings is a good way to develop friendships and to foster a sense of community with other Noah's Ark parents. Most parents are able to come with us on outings but those who find this impossible, due to work or other responsibilities and commitments, are encouraged to see if another parent would be happy to accompany their child as well as their own. If they feel unable to do this or are new to the nursery and do not yet know anyone well enough to ask, they are encouraged to speak with their child's teacher or to the individual Head teachers. We endeavour to ensure all children are able to come on outings and not to miss out on all the learning and fun, and support all parents as much as possible in order to facilitate this.

Outings and off-site visits

- Before any outing or trip it is preferable that at least one member of staff makes a visit to the venue to assess any risks or dangers that may occur there, or on the journey.
- We take the location of the venue and length of journey into account when considering its suitability for the children in terms of their cultural requirements, physical disabilities, age, size, and maturity.
- On all outings each child is accompanied by their parent or carer who has sole and total responsibility for their own child throughout the visit. Parents or carers also transport the child to the venue.
- Staff take a mobile phone on any trip in case of an emergency. They also take, as necessary, First Aid equipment.

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CONCLUSION

The Governors and Staff of the School are committed to keeping this policy under regular review and the Governor responsible will ensure that the matters contained herein are regularly discussed and further developed to the benefit of all users.

Signed :

Mr Charlie Colchester
Chairman of the Board of Governors