



Liability of Possessions

We do not accept responsibility for any loss or damage to clothing, possessions or jewelry brought onto the premises at any time; whether it be owned by staff, visitors, children or parents.

Children like to bring in objects from home, to show their friends or because the item gives them comfort on that day. We accept this is often an important part of the transition into preschool, however we cannot guarantee that the item will return home safely, as it may get lost, mislaid or broken. Wherever possible it would be helpful if children did not bring into preschool items of particular personal significance, for this reason.

We ask that children attend the setting in appropriate casual clothing, as we are committed to free flow play (indoors and outside); children, staff and helpers have access to a wide range of resources. **Contact with some of these resources can cause soiling to clothing.** So please do not send your child into preschool wearing new or 'best' clothing, as it will get dirty and possibly inadvertently stained.

Children are encouraged to explore and participate in all the activities available at the preschool, we provide and offer our children aprons to wear for messy play. However, as they can often become a barrier for a child and restrict access to activities, the wearing of aprons is not enforced. So old clothes, old coats, boots, shoes etc. when worn by the children attending preschool is recommended, as they enable the children freedom to explore uninhibited and parents not to become stressed when their children return from pre-school in soiled clothing. **Please note; we do not accept responsibility for children's clothes becoming dirty or stained during their time with us.**

It would be helpful if the children came in clothing that had their name written inside; to enable staff to identify clothing once it has been removed. This is to avoid clothing going astray, getting lost or going home with the wrong child.

We also ask that on collecting your child at the end of the day, all personal items and belongings are taken home with the child; we do not have enough room to store items overnight. Furthermore, possessions easily become lost, misplaced or forgotten about. There is a lost property box in the conservatory outside the main building, we encourage parents and carers to regularly look inside from time to time and remove items which belong to their child. Once a year the box is emptied, and the unwanted and unclaimed clothing is sent off to charities.