

Settling in Policy

At Precious Ones we want all children to feel safe and happy with us, therefore we have a settling in policy to implement this.

We offer two separate 30 minute sessions for free with parents staying with the child to help them feel safe and secure and to get them used to both us and their surroundings. After the initial two sessions you may continue to come with your child for as long as you think necessary, but you will be charged for this.

We want all children to be happy and feel safe when their parents leave them in our care. We will be supportive and friendly and encourage the children to share their experiences at the end of the day. We will be the support parents often need when they first leave their child with us, helping them to feel at ease. To do this we will:-

- Share information about Precious Ones through the Parent Handbook and find out as much as we can about the children through the registration forms and 'all about me' sheets.
- Encourage parents to join in prior to the planned admission date.
- Introduce flexible admission procedures to meet individual families needs.
- Assure parents that they can stay for as long as it takes for their child to settle and reassure those who seem to take a while!
- Encourage parents, when appropriate, to gradually increase the time that they separate from their child, from brief periods to the whole session.

We understand that children will not learn and play if they are unhappy. These settling in procedures are to help parents and children to be comfortable with us. If a child is settled they benefit from being part of the group and parents have the comfort.

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