



Settling In Policy : Little Imaginations Early Years Camp

We aim to ensure that all children are made to feel safe, secure, and comfortable in our setting as quickly as possible. This is achieved using various approaches.

- All parents/carers are provided with a schedule prior to their child attending and we are available on the phone to discuss any concerns the child or parent may have.
- All policies and procedures are shared with parents by either accessing our website <https://www.littleimaginationcreativearts.co.uk/parenthub> and on all camp ipads. There may be occasions when this material is also printed.
- Children with parents are welcome to visit the location of the camp prior to visiting.
- Each child and parent is met at the door by the manager. The child is greeted directly and introduced to all members of staff.
- Each child is shown where to leave their items with the support of a team member, usually the assistant.
- The child will then be shown to any children they may know from outside of the setting.
- A variety of continuous provision areas are available to play with for the first 45 minutes of each camp.
- Measures are taken to ensure the child feels happy, safe and cared for. The assistant will be on hand to comfort the child, by following the HALT method outlined in the safeguarding policy.
- After the opening 45 minutes, the group will then be told what will happen during the day during circle time.
- Parents are welcomed to stay for the first 30 - 45 mins should they deem it necessary.

Some children find it takes them longer to settle, especially the younger ones. It is a new environment and although they may have been at nursery or

school, camp is a new environment with new faces and friends and sometimes it can become overwhelming as well as emotionally draining.

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