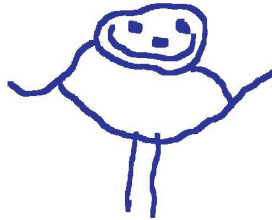


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Home Visit- A Good Practice Guide

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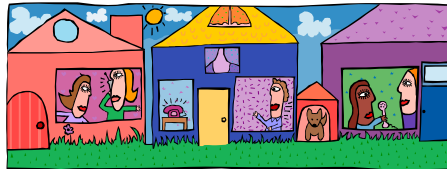
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Home Visit -

What is it?

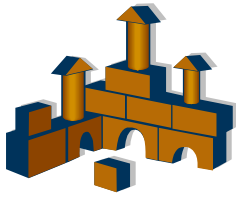


The home visit is always arranged between your key person and yourselves. The key person may come alone or be accompanied by her 2nd. It is a friendly and informal visit and usually last no longer than half an hour. It is a great opportunity to meet other members of the family and pets. It is a privilege to see the child in their own environment, play with their toys and maybe see their bedroom if they want to show us, and maybe have a cup of tea!

What we do with the information we find out from these home visits?

The information we gain from these informal home visits is really essential to support your children in nursery. We use the children's interests to help them settle in to nursery life and provide activities and resources that will help them feel happy and secure. By understanding your child's interests we can plan opportunities that will spark their interest and build upon what they already

know. We can extend their learning in this way and create opportunities for learning and development. Which helps them to reach their potential in a way that embraces play based learning alongside understanding knowledgeable, sensitive adults.



Home Visit- What does this mean for parents?

This is a great opportunity for parents and carers to ask questions about nursery and get to know their child's key person better. It is also an opportunity to share information about a child's interests at home and what they are enjoying at nursery.



By sharing this type of information we can build a picture of the child. We can establish mutual targets. This will help the child make steady progress in all areas of development and generally gain a greater awareness of the significance of the Home /Nursery relationship.



Everyone's home life is different. By carrying out informal home visits we can create a picture of a child's family life. This will ensure that their experiences at nursery are relevant and sensitive to what children are familiar with and understand. Being sensitive to culture race faith and lifestyle as well as family dynamics.

We also see how a child behaves at home and what they enjoy, playing with, their interests and routine. We use this information to help develop a relationship with the key person and build a greater understanding by both nursery and home of what are priorities are for the children in our mutual care.

If you would like a paper copy, please see a member of staff in Nursery and they will be able to provide this. We are also able to provide copies with larger text if required.

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**Every Child
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5 Outcomes for children

Be Healthy

Stay Safe

Enjoy and Achieve

Make a positive contribution

Achieve Economic well being

