



General Welfare Requirement: Safeguarding and Promoting Children's Welfare
The provider must take necessary steps to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

Safeguarding children

Camera's/Digital images and recording Devices

Policy statement

At Cherry Blossom Nursery and Preschool the welfare, protection and safety of every child in our care is of paramount importance and we take our responsibility to safeguard children very seriously.

We have procedures in place which we ask everyone to respect, to help promote the safety of the children.

Photographs that are taken to evidence children's learning and achievements are an effective way to record their progress in the EYFS - birth to five matters framework.

However, it is crucial that these photographs are taken and stored in a correct way.

Procedures

- All photographs, images, recordings taken of children are only done with prior written consent from each child's parent/carer. This is gained when the child is registered and is updated on a regular basis to ensure that permission still stands.
- We use photographs, images and video recording for different uses including in the child's learning story, display purposes, promotional materials including our nursery website, brochure and for the local press.
- We ensure that all parent/carers understand that their child's photographs may appear in another child's learning story as group pictures are often taken - faces are blotted out.
- Parents are asked for consent for group observations and photos to be posted in the Newsfeed of our Nursery management system.
- If a parent/carer is not happy with the arrangements, Cherry Blossom Nursery and Preschool will respect their wishes and find alternative ways of recording their child's progress.
- Staff must not take photographs/recordings on their own devices, only to use those provided by the nursery

- The nursery managers will monitor all photographs and recordings to ensure parents/carers wishes are adhered to.
- Parents are not permitted to use any recording device/camera on the nursery premises without prior consent from the management.
- During special events eg Christmas - staff may produce group photographs to distribute to parent/carers on request. This is providing all permissions have been sought.
 - Only the designated nursery camera or tablet should be used to take photographs within the setting/outings.
 - Images on camera/tablet must be deemed suitable.
- All staff are responsible for the location of the camera/tablet - at the end of the day this should be the office.
- Under no circumstances must cameras/tablets of any kind be taken into the bathroom, toilet and changing areas. If photographs need to be taken of hand washing, permission from manager/deputy is required.
- This policy must be read alongside our **EYworks** policy where photographs of children are taken for their online learning journey.

THIS FORMS PART OF OUR SAFEGUARDING POLICY

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