



### Children missing in Education Statement

This statement is a recognition of understanding the importance of investigating absent children from our setting. We acknowledge that whilst nursery education is a non-statutory education we have a duty of care to safeguard our children.

At Little Owls we take daily registers. If a child is absent and we have not received communication to explain their absence from parents and carers, we will telephone the listed contacts for the child. If contact is unachievable after several attempts, our next action would be to contact the emergency contacts we hold for the child. If we are still unable to make contact or have concerns for the child's wellbeing, we will inform the local authorities of the child's unexplained/concerning absence for them to investigate further.