Next Steps Day Care

Admissions Policy

With Ofsted we are registered as Childcare on domestic premises, meaning we have to work out ratios of staff to children depending on the ages of children in our care. These details are on my Ofsted Registration Certificate, which is displayed on the parent/carer’s board by the entrance.

With the help of my deputy’s and registered assistants I am permitted to care for:

3 children under 1 year olds

4 children 2 year olds

8 children aged 3-8

Any amount of children over the age of 8 as long as it doesn’t affect the care of the younger children.

We are happy to take on any child/baby within my registered numbers and will not discriminate against any child or their family for reasons such as race, religion, sex or ability. However, we would like to make the following statement:

We are happy to take on children with special needs providing we feel we are able to cater for the needs. For example, we will not be able to provide one to one care or look after a child in a wheelchair, as the setting is not suitable. If your child has an additional needs please discuss them with me first as we would not want to raise your expectations.

All children will be welcomed into the setting and we will encourage the other children in our care to support me with this. With any child joining our setting, we have a four-week settling in period on our contract, so if you, your child or my team are not happy with the agreement it can be terminated easily. When taking on additional children we must take into consideration the children already in our care who are happy and settled. It would be very unfair on them to introduce a child who was disruptive.

We drop off/collect children from Fairfield Infant School, Bosmere Junior and St. Thomas Moores schools.

As we currently transport children to and from these two schools we are unable to cater for children attending different settings due to the transporting capacity we have.

If you have any concerns regarding this policy please do not hesitate to contact me.

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