The Meadows
Cheeky Chimps Childcare

Alcohol and substance Abuse

To keep children safe when they are in our care, we will ensure that no member of staff, nor anyone else who has contact with your child within the nursery, is under the influence of alcohol or any other substances.

Any staff member who is on duty and taking medication which may affect their ability to care for the children within the nursery, will seek medical advice. They will only be permitted to work directly with the children in our care upon written confirmation that their ability to care for the children will not be impaired.

If we believe a parent or guardian is under the influence of alcohol or drugs, we have a responsibility to investigate. This may result in us being unable to release your child to your care and we may have to contact the relevant authorities. In all cases we have a responsibility to contact the social services support and advice line or MASH to ask for guidance on how to proceed.

In accordance with the EYFS welfare requirements produced by the Department of Education, we have a no smoking policy on the premises. Smoking is not permitted within the premises or outside the space at any time. We will not take the children into smoky environments and will avoid places that permit smoking.

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