

Kangaroo Kids Settling In Policy

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Statement of Intent

We know for children to learn they need to form attachments with adults who care for them. We therefore have created the policy to ensure the transition from home to preschool is a positive experience.

Aim

To ensure children at both our settings are able to settle in quickly and feel happy and comfortable away from parents/carers.

To build good relationships with the family to get to know about the child's likes, dislikes, routines, comforters etc.

Procedures

- As every child is unique, we put together a settling-in plan for each individual child on a case-by-case basis. This ensures the plan suits the child and their parents/carers.
- We usually recommend a 'Stay and Play' with a parent/carer to aid the transition from home to preschool. When we, and the parent/carer feel ready, the parent/carer will leave the child in our care for a short period (usually 1 hour), so the child is able to understand that parent/carer will come back. If this is successful, we then extend the time and so on. The length of time that this will continue for will differ for each individual child as it is dependent on the child and family.