



Hughes Primary School

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Acceptance and Refusal of Authorisations Procedure

Policy statement

Preschool staff have a duty of care to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the children at all times while in their care. This includes ensuring the safety of children when they are being released into the care of others at the end of a preschool session.

The *Delivery and Collection of Children at Preschools Procedure* details the process for ensuring only parents/carers or authorised nominees are allowed to collect children at the end of the preschool session. The following procedure details the process to follow if preschool staff are concerned about the immediate safety of a child who is being collected. This could occur if the person collecting the child is under the obvious influence of alcohol or drugs, if the car in which the child is being placed does not meet legal requirements for child restraints, or if there is a threat of physical violence against the child or another member of the family. Other situations may arise which also require preschool staff to follow the procedure. If in doubt, staff should contact the preschool team leader and principal immediately on 6142 0730.

