

01.5 Clothing

Policy statement

Parents are advised of what constitutes appropriate clothing for children to wear to sessions in the Settling In Pack given out at the time of joining. Clothes should be appropriate to the session bearing in mind the health risk of skin exposure to the sun, comfort and the range of activities in which the children participate.

We do not provide aprons or waterproofs as we believe stopping to put on such items stops the flow of play and therefore the children's learning. We advise parents to not dress children in new/best clothes.

The pre-school cannot accept liability for clothes spoiled or stained during the course of a session's activities.

Please ensure there are changes of clothes in your child's bag. The pre-school does have spare clothes. Please can pre-school clothing be washed and returned to us as soon as possible.

Guidance on suitable clothing:

- Clothes, particularly sweatshirts, cardigans, coats, hats, gloves/mittens and scarves should be named to make it easier to reunite them with the children.
- In the summer months:
 - Shoulders should be covered up to prevent sunburn. Children should not be sent into pre-school with shoulder straps and a jumper to cover up; if it becomes too hot to wear a jumper outside shoulders will be exposed.
 - A sun hat should be supplied
 - Flip flop style shoes should be avoided
- In the winter months:
 - A coat should be provided for outdoor play
 - Hats, gloves/mittens and scarves are advised for outdoor play in particularly cold weather and should be named.
- Children must wear suitable shoes for play on the climbing frame.
- No jewellery to be worn, unless for medical or religious reasons. For children with pierced ears, only stud earrings are allowed.

This is a Little Acorns specific policy and outside the scope of the EYFS themes and commitments.