

Terrorist Attack & National Emergency Policy

Whilst it is hoped the situation will never arise, the following policy sets out the procedures I would put in place in the event of a terrorist attack or national emergency.

The care and security we provide to your child is paramount and in the event of a major incident, national emergency or terrorist attack, we will do everything we can to protect, comfort and support your child.

Should the children and staff ever be caught up in an incident, we will comply fully with instructions given from the emergency services and offer constant reassurance and comfort to the children in our care.

Where parents are caught up in an incident, I will continue to provide care for their child until they are able to return or until a nominated person is able to collect them.

I am aware that in order to free up communication systems for the emergency services during major incidents, mobile phone networks may become unavailable and landlines may be cancelled. Where it is safe to do so, I will continue to attempt to contact parents on a regular basis and ask that parents do the same so as we can keep informed of the situation and each other's whereabouts.

I will use any media source available to me to keep up to date with the situation, for example radio, television, internet or social media and move children to safety where this has been advised by the emergency or security services. I will endeavour to protect children from information, images or situations that may cause alarm or distress.

I hope that this procedure will never need to be put into practice and hope that you feel able to discuss with me any concerns you may have.