

## **Adverse Weather Policy**

At **Once Upon a Time Nursery** we have an adverse weather policy in place to ensure our nursery is prepared for all weather conditions that might affect the running of the nursery such as floods, snow and heat waves.

If any of these incidents impact on the ability of the nursery to open or operate, we will contact parents via app message.

We will not take children outdoors where we judge that weather conditions make it unsafe to do so.

## Snow or other severe weather

If high snowfall, or another severe weather condition such as dense fog, is threatened during a nursery day then the duty manager will take the decision as to whether to close the nursery. This decision will take into account the safety of the children, their parents and the staff team. In the event of a planned closure during the nursery day we will contact all parents to arrange for collection of their child.

In the event of staff shortages due to snow or other severe weather we will contact all available off-duty staff and/or agency staff and group the children differently until they are able to arrive. If we are unable to maintain statutory ratio requirements after all avenues are explored we will contact CIW to inform them of this issue. If we feel the safety, health or welfare of the children is compromised then we will take the decision to close the nursery.

## Heat wave

Please refer to our sun care policy.