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Bristol University Day Nursery Adverse Weather / Contingency Plan

This plan is to be used in emergency situations; for example flooding, contamination/pollution, severe snow, staff illness, loss of power, fire, loss of heating, loss of water, chemical spills, gas leaks, structural/building damage or in the event of a terrorist attack.

Emergency	Response	Contact
Loss of utilities (electricity, water)	In the event of losing power, the university will be contacted. We will continue to care for the children as usual. If the power is not returned after three hours, parents are to be contacted to collect their children, and will be notified via Facebook. In the event of losing water, if we feel we can maintain high standards of hygiene, we will remain open but for no longer than one hour. If normal water supply is not available, then we will close.	Communicate nature of incident to Security Services (0117 33 11 22 33). Security Services will inform other appropriate key contacts.
Snow / Ice	We will do our best to remain open during bad weather. After heavy snow fall the committee members will decide if it is safe for the nursery to open. Parents will be notified by 7am on the nursery website and by e-mail, and a message will be posted via our Facebook page. Staff are to try their best to get to nursery to continue work.	Parents via nursery web page, Facebook, and group e-mail. Contact Estates office 0117 33 16765 (office hours) to clear pathways with salt.
Staff illness or absence	In the event of sickness that is highly contagious, the nursery would close. Where there would only be one senior staff member, (except in the case where the attendance of children falls below 25%) the nursery would close. If more than half of the staff team are sick, the nursery would close. This would then follow with a deep clean of the nursery. See sickness policy for more information.	Contact Public Health England South West 0300 303 8162. Notify University Student Services, as per the University's infectious diseases protocol 0117 331 0419. University site services for deep clean.

Serious contagious Illnesses, staff/children	In the event of sickness that is highly contagious, senior management would ensure that the infected person would need to leave the nursery a.s.a.p. They would then inform the parents and make plans to deep clean the whole nursery. Closure of the nursery would be a decision made once the situation was clearer. Parents and staff will be kept up to date with any decisions made.	Contact Public Health England South West 0300 303 8162. Notify University Student Services, as per the University's infectious diseases protocol 0117 331 0419. University site services for deep clean.
	This also applies to any outbreaks of covid-19. The nursery will continue to follow any government guidance regarding any outbreaks, including following any procedures if the virus spreads across the setting and/or the infection rates were to increase again as well as any local restrictions. Further information can be found at	

	security to ensure we are safe and if appropriate parents will contacted to collect their children via	with emergency services and manage the ongoing
	telephone, email, and Facebook.	procedures
	If the building becomes damaged and is unsafe to	Contact Security Services
	be in, security is to be contacted. Children are to	(0117 331 12233 or 11 22 33)
Structural	be kept safe and secure. We will liaise with	Security Services will liaise
damage	security and estates to find alternative space.	with the Safety & Health
		Office when appropriate.
		Security Services will alert the
		emergency/utility services
		and liaise with them on site.
		If all or part of the building is
		unusable and alternative
		space needed in the short
		term. Contact Estates Office
		0117 33 16765 (office hours).
Flood	If the building is flooded due to weather or fault,	Communicate nature of
	management are to be notified, then security. If	incident to Security Services
	the building is not fit for purpose the nursery will	(0117 33 11 22 33). If you
	close. Parents will be contacted by phone or email	have any problems contacting
	and website if it's before opening hours. A	security, call 999 to alert the
	message will also be posted on the nursery's	emergency services. Parents
	Facebook group.	will be contacted through e-
		mail and web page.

At all times, the blue pack containing emergency contact details must be with the nominated senior staff or management. If the nursery is forced to close early, or not open at all, due to the above or for any other reason, then staff will be paid as normal when possible, but other options may have to be considered.

Link to statutory framework 2021	Section 3; Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment, 3.56 pg 35

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