

Covid 19 - Changes to the Looked After Child policy

Throughout the Coronavirus pandemic the following changes to the Looked After Child policy will apply:-

"We will always offer 'stay and play' provision for a child who is two to five years old who is still settling with their foster carer, or who is only temporarily being looked after."

We will no longer offer stay and play sessions - however the child and their crew will be offered one **stay and play outside** session prior to starting.

Due to the above we will monitor the child's wellbeing (Leuven scale/ Maslow hierarchy of needs) and senior staff will make a decision as to whether the child's emotional needs are being met within our setting.

"At the start of a placement there is a professional's meeting to determine the objectives of the placement and draw up a care plan that incorporates the child's learning needs. This plan is reviewed after two weeks, six weeks and three months. Thereafter at three to six monthly intervals."

Any meetings arranged must be Covid Secure and protect the health and safety of LEYA staff. We expect for meetings to be virtual or held where social distancing and / or extra protective measures have been planned for and put into practice. Should we feel the safety of a member of LEYA staff is compromised we will not attend meetings in person but offer virtual presence instead.