## **Grandpont Nursery Attendance**

Grandpont staff and governors recognise that nursery education is non-statutory and that attendance is not obligatory. However, nursery places are a valuable resource and it is expected that parents/carers will view their children's attendance as a serious commitment to ensure continuity for each child and to avoid wasting places, which could be used by others. Children benefit greatly from coming to Nursery regularly to build relationships with their peers and key people.

Once you have signed the agreement for your child to attend the Nursery School, it is expected that your child will take their full entitlement once they've settled in. Some children take a longer period of time to settle and, should this be the case, your child's key person will talk to you about an individual settling plan. It is important to us all that the process is appropriate for your child, so please come and speak to a member of staff if you have any queries or concerns. We are here to help and can usually reassure you that often your child settles shortly after you have left. Staff are also able to keep you well informed about how they are doing.

Grandpont Nursery School monitors attendance as your child accesses Oxfordshire County Council's funding. If your child is absent for any reason, please phone the school and let us know if they are unable to attend and the reason why.

If your child has been unwell, it is important that they have one day at home well, before they return. This means an absence of 48 hours if they have been sick.

If you wish to take your child on holiday during term time, please speak with the headteacher.

If your child is absent from without any contact from parents or carers the key person will call to talk with you, and to support your child to return. If we are unable to make contact with you and it raises a concern we will contact social services to ensure the safety of you and your child.

If your child is leaving Grandpont Nursery School, please ask the office for a form to give notice that you are leaving. Thank you.

January 2022