06 Children Onsite Safety

**06.12 Entrances and Approaches to the Building**

* Entrances and approaches are kept tidy and always uncluttered.
* All gates and external barriers are childproof and safe and checked daily.
* Public access doors are always kept locked and shut.
* The identity of a person not known to members of staff is checked before they enter the building.
* All staff and visitors to the setting sign in and out of the building.
* A member of staff is available to open and close the door and to greet arrivals, say goodbye to parents and to make sure that doors are shut.
* There is a safe area for parents and children to wait for the doors to be opened.
* Doors are always kept locked and shut if they may lead to a public or unsupervised area, unless this breaches fire safety regulations or other expectations.
* Where building works or repairs mean that normal entrances/exits or approaches to the building are not in use, a risk assessment is conducted to maintain safety and security whilst the changes are in place.
* Regular users of the sports field are asked not to approach the barriers to talk to the children to enable staff to maintain safeguarding for the children by reminding them of ‘stranger danger’ as appropriate for the age of the child/children.