

Ofsted Registered Childminding Service

Unexpected Closure of Childminding Service

I will endeavour to provide a service for the hours and times that I have been contracted to work, however very occasionally it may be necessary to close my childminding service.

This may be as a result of me being unwell and therefore unable to work. If I have a minor ailment, such as a cough or a cold I will continue, however if my illness is very contagious then I will refrain, for example diarrhoea and sickness, until I know I can not pass on the infection to the children or their parents. I will try to provide as much notice as possible if I am unable to work.

There may be other occasions when I am unable to provide a service, for example:

- Following emergency evacuation of my premises (see evacuation policy)
- Loss of power to my home
- Mains water turned off
- Heating broken
- Flooding
- Medical emergency for myself or a member of my immediate family
- Death within the family

I will advise parents as soon as I can if I am unable to provide a service.

I will work with parents where possible to find temporary emergency childcare from amongst local childminders that are known to the child until I can offer a normal service. I will make no charge if I am unable to provide a service.

I may be able to provide a limited service from a fellow childminders home during some of the above situations, however I would discuss any alternative arrangements with each individual parent/carer.

If you have any concerns regarding this policy please do not hesitate to contact me.