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BROKEN BONES FRACTURE POLICY

Policy Statement

Oakbridge Little Learners Ltd is committed to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all children attending the nursery. Where a child has suffered a fracture or broken bone, the nursery will work closely with parents/carers and medical professionals to ensure that the child can safely attend the setting.

The nursery will take reasonable steps to minimise risk to the injured child and other children while maintaining a safe and inclusive environment.

Aims

This policy aims to:

- Ensure the safety of children who have sustained fractures or broken bones
 - Ensure the nursery follows medical advice and appropriate safeguarding procedures
 - Provide clear guidance for staff and parents regarding attendance following injury
 - Ensure appropriate risk assessments are completed and reviewed
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Procedures

Where a child has suffered a fracture or broken bone:

1. Medical Clearance

- Parents/carers must provide written confirmation from the child's GP, hospital, or medical professional stating that there is no medical reason preventing the child from attending nursery.
- The nursery reserves the right to request updated medical advice where the child's condition changes or where staff have concerns regarding the child's safety within the nursery environment.

2. Risk Assessment

- The nursery will complete a risk assessment before the child returns to the setting.
- The risk assessment will consider:



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- The nature of the injury
- Mobility limitations
- The child's ability to participate safely in activities
- Potential risks to the child and others

Risk assessments will be completed in accordance with the nursery's Risk Assessment Policy.

3. Activity Restrictions

- Certain activities may be restricted depending on the injury. This may include:
 - Outdoor climbing equipment
 - Physical play
 - Use of wheeled toys
 - Certain physical learning activities

4. Parent Communication

- Parents/carers will be consulted throughout the process.
- Any agreed adjustments will be communicated to staff responsible for the child's care.

5. Ongoing Monitoring

- Staff will monitor the child's wellbeing and comfort throughout the day.
- The risk assessment will be reviewed if the child's condition changes.

6. Nursery Discretion

- If the nursery believes that it cannot safely meet the child's needs or ensure their safety, the nursery may request that the child remain at home until the injury has sufficiently healed.

Monitoring and Review

The nursery manager will ensure that:

- Risk assessments are completed and documented



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- Staff are aware of any restrictions relating to the child's injury
- The child's wellbeing is monitored throughout their recovery period

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