

Children Looked After By The LA/Foster Carers

We recognise that children who are being looked after with the social care system, have often experienced distressing traumatic circumstances; physical, emotional, sexual or some form of neglect.

However, it is equally important to recognise that many looked after children have not been abused, and that there are many reasons why they have been placed in the care of the Local Authority or with foster parents.

In our setting we understand that a child's emotional well-being may be affected and their circumstances may have a huge impact on their lives, therefore we place emphasis on encouraging the children to grow in self-confidence, to be strong, resilient and more significantly a right to be listened to.

Our policy and practice guidelines for looked after children are founded on these important principles

- Secure, healthy Attachments which gives basis for resilience
- A warm loving and responsive environment is significant into helping and supporting children to flourish and feel like they belong.
- Our policy is to ensure that all children are treated differently but with equal concern!

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