

## **WEDDINGTON PRIMARY OUT OF HOURS CLUB Emergency Evacuation/Closure Policy**

Weddington Primary Out of Hours Club will make every effort to keep the Club open, but in exceptional circumstances, we may need to close at short notice.

The following are possible reasons for emergency closure:

- Serious weather conditions
- Heating system failure
- Burst water pipes
- Fire or bomb scare/explosion
- Death of a member of staff or child
- Assault on a staff member or child
- Serious accident or illness
- COVID/ Public Health at risk - in accordance with Government guidelines
- Lockdown Procedure
- Terrorism risk

In the event of an emergency our primary concern will be to ensure that both children and staff are kept safe. If it is necessary to evacuate the Club, the following steps will be taken:

- If appropriate a manager will contact the emergency services.
- All children will be escorted from the building to the assembly point using the nearest safe exit.
- No attempt will be made to collect personal belongings, or to re-enter the building after evacuation.
- A nominated member of staff will check the premises and will collect the register (including emergency contact details) providing that this does not put anyone at risk.
- Before leaving the building the designated person will close all accessible doors and windows.
- The register will be taken and all children and staff accounted for.
- If any person is missing from the register, the emergency services will be informed immediately.
- A manager will contact parents to collect their children.
- All children will be supervised until they are safely collected.

If after every attempt, parent or carers cannot be contacted, the Club will follow its **Uncollected Child** procedure.

If the registration is affected, we will inform Ofsted of the closure.

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