

# Toys and Children's Belongings

Dear Families,

## Re: Toys and Children's Belongings

We appreciate that nothing is more frustrating for you to unpack your child's bag at home and find that their jumper is missing. Educators in your child's room do their very best to ensure that each child leaves the day with all their belongings, even if for example, this sometimes takes memorising 20 different items. To give us the best chance in ensuring that the right item goes into the right bag, please label your child's clothes with their full name, not a sibling's name or a surname on its own.

There are times when items will end up in lost property. It is the parent's responsibility to check the lost property basket. We also ask that parents encourage their child to look after their belongings, which is a great skill to develop before 'big school'.

Please understand that if an item has gone missing, we have – or will do our utmost to find what you are looking for.

One of the most distressing items to go missing is a toy from home. We have a policy that requires all toys from home - stay at home. We provide a wide variety of books, games and toys. Not only does this eliminate the heartbreak if a toy is lost or broken but reduces any problems regarding sharing a special item.

An allowance will be made if your child has a special blanket or stuffed animal that they like to sleep with or use for comfort. Your child is welcome to bring this in, but please leave it with your child's Educator who will then bring it out at rest time.

Thank you for your understanding regarding this matter.

Kind Regards

*Kim Russell*

Approved Provider