

Health and Safety Policy

- We are a non-smoking household.
- I and my assistants, constantly assess my home and equipment, removing hazards and reducing any risks to make sure that my home and garden are safe for your children and mine.
- Care has been taken to store toys and equipment where they are easily and safely accessible.
- Toys and equipment are kept clean and checked for faults or breakages.
- We ensure that toys are used in an age appropriate way. e.g. toys with small pieces are kept very separate from children under 3 years.
- We keep the front doors and windows locked with keys nearby (Out of reach of toddlers!). I or my assistant are usually the only people who unlock the front door. However, now Ruby is a responsible 10 year old, I do allow her to open the door, as long as she checks with me each time, and she recognises the person who is waiting to come in.
- When we go out: We always have my mobile phone with us. We use pushchairs, reins and strict hand-holding appropriate to the age and stage of each child.
- We use the correct car seats to restrain children in the car.
- We keep our vehicles in good working order and have valid insurance and breakdown cover.
- I need you to sign to give permission for your child to be transported in a vehicle. We never leave your children unattended in a vehicle.
- I have a procedure in case of emergency.
- I, and my assistants are first aid trained, and keep the First Aid box in good order, replacing the contents as required.
- We record all accidents and require you to sign and receive a copy of this record.
- In summer I require all children to bring a sun hat and we keep them protected from the sun. Please provide sun protection cream, I require written permission to apply it.

Childminder's signature		Date
Parent(s) signature		Date

