## **LOST CHILD POLICY**

If a child went missing from our setting, the following procedures would be applied:-

- ➤ A thorough search of the premises buildings and gardens by senior staff and as many other members of staff and volunteers as possible.
- ➤ If ratios allowed, any extra staff members would search the local area immediately outside the setting.
- ➤ The police would be contacted, the family and the Local Authority.
- ➤ A full investigation would take place and a report sent to OFSTED.

Before taking the children out of the setting, written consent would be sought by parents and a full risk assessment undertaken of the route and the trip itself. Extra staff would be on hand and/or parents/volunteers. Should a child go missing on a trip the same procedure would apply.

Read in conjunction with Outings Policy