



Parental / Carer Responsibility Policy

Policy Statement

Play, Learn, Grow! Cannock provides parent and caregiver accompanied baby sensory sessions for babies aged 0–13 months. Parents and caregivers remain responsible for their baby at all times during sessions. This policy outlines the responsibilities of parents and caregivers to ensure sessions remain safe, enjoyable and suitable for all attendees.

Play, Learn, Grow! Cannock provides activities, equipment and guidance; however, supervision and care of each baby remains the responsibility of the attending parent or caregiver.

Supervision

Parents and caregivers must supervise their baby at all times during sessions. This includes when:

- Using soft play equipment
- Exploring sensory items
- Rolling, crawling or moving around
- Sitting or lying on mats
- Participating in activities
- Feeding during sessions
- Moving around the room

Babies must not be left unattended at any time.

Safe Handling

Parents and caregivers are responsible for safely handling their baby throughout the session. This includes:

- Supporting babies appropriately during activities
- Monitoring head and body support for younger babies
- Assisting babies using equipment
- Preventing unsafe climbing or movement
- Ensuring baby is positioned safely

Play, Learn, Grow! Cannock does not physically handle babies unless in exceptional circumstances.

Use of Equipment

Parents and caregivers are responsible for ensuring equipment is used safely. This includes:

- Supporting baby when using soft play
- Preventing misuse of equipment
- Following session guidance
- Not allowing unsafe climbing
- Monitoring babies who mouth items
- Informing of any damaged equipment



Equipment should be used as intended.

Behaviour and Safety

Parents and caregivers are responsible for:

- Monitoring their baby's behaviour
- Preventing unsafe actions
- Being mindful of other babies
- Ensuring safe movement around the room
- Following safety guidance

If behaviour poses a risk to others, guidance may be provided.

Health and Hygiene

Parents and caregivers are responsible for:

- Not attending when baby is unwell
- Managing their baby's hygiene needs
- Changing nappies as required
- Cleaning up spills where appropriate
- Managing feeding safely
- Following illness guidance

This helps protect all babies attending sessions.

Medical Information

Parents and caregivers must inform Play, Learn, Grow! Cannock of:

- Allergies
- Medical conditions
- Additional needs
- Relevant developmental considerations
- Emergency contact details

This information helps ensure safe participation.

Accidents and Injuries

Parents and caregivers remain responsible for their baby if an accident occurs. Play, Learn, Grow! Cannock will provide appropriate support, however:

- Parents remain with baby
- Parents decide on medical care
- Parents monitor baby following incident
- Parents provide comfort and care

First aid provided is not by medical professionals and is supportive only. Medical care should be sought if required.

Photography

Parents and caregivers must not photograph or record other babies without permission. This helps protect privacy and safeguarding.



Personal Belongings

Parents and caregivers are responsible for their own belongings and their baby's belongings. Play, Learn, Grow! Cannock cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage.

Movement Around the Room

Parents and caregivers should move carefully around the space, being mindful of:

- Babies on mats
- Equipment placement
- Other parents and caregivers
- Trip hazards
- Spillages

This helps maintain a safe environment.

Attendance

Parents and caregivers must:

- Stay with their baby throughout the session
- Not leave baby with another attendee unless agreed
- Remain responsible for their child at all times

Babies must not be left in the room without their parent or caregiver present.

Respectful Environment

Parents and caregivers are expected to:

- Treat others with respect
- Follow session guidance
- Support a welcoming environment
- Be mindful of other families
- Raise concerns appropriately

Play, Learn, Grow! Cannock reserves the right to address behaviour that may impact safety or the experience of others.

Commitment

Play, Learn, Grow! Cannock is committed to providing safe and enjoyable sessions. Cooperation from parents and caregivers in fulfilling their responsibilities helps ensure a positive, safe and supportive environment for all babies attending.

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