

Supervised Access Procedure

To be reviewed Bi-Annually.

Policy Agreed September 2018. To be reviewed September 2020.



The following supervised access procedure has been drawn together to support the needs of the child.

Aim

To support the child in having the opportunity to see his/her parents.

This will be facilitated by the school/centre in the following ways:

- Providing a room for the child to see his/her parents.
- Providing a school/centre family worker that links with the child and the supervised access worker.
- Providing support from the leadership team to the supervised access worker, to share information and support the child's needs.
- To provide a welcoming environment for the child's parents.

The policy of the school/centre is that supervised access visits are facilitated away from the rest of the school/centre children and staff. Parents are requested **not to enter** the child's rooms as this is often unsettling for children. The request is also made for the protection of other children and staff (i.e. aggressive or violent behaviour directed towards children or staff by parents on supervised access visits).

At the beginning of any supervised access visit to the school/centre, parents are made aware of school/centre policy by the leadership team, which is supported by the supervised access worker.

Additional policies of the school/centre (i.e. LA no smoking policy in the school/centre and conduct during the supervised access visit) are also outlined to parents.

The leadership team link regularly with the parents and supervised access worker if they have any concerns about how the supervised access visits are progressing in the school/centre, so the child's needs are not compromised at any time.

This procedure will be reviewed bi-annually and was reviewed by three Governors on Tuesday 1st October 2018.