

Keeping Children Safe during Community Activities, After-School Clubs and Tuition

When signing your child up for a community activity, after-school club or private tuition, here are a few questions to help you ensure all the appropriate checks, training and policies are in place.

Q: What checks do you undertake to ensure staff are suitable to work with children? How recent were the checks?

Q: What training have staff and volunteers had?

Q: You are providing a tutor to help my child. How can I be sure they aren't prohibited from teaching?

Q: Who is responsible for child protection and what training have they had? How recent was this training?

Q: Will anyone besides the instructor, or other children's parents, be present in the setting while my child is there? If so, will they be there regularly?

Q: May I see your child protection policy and procedures?

Q: How do you securely store the information you hold on my child? Who has access to it, and do you give it to anyone else?

Q: Is my child allowed to access the internet unsupervised?

Q: How do you talk to children about online safety?

Q: May I have a copy of your health and safety policy?

Q: Do you have a parental consent and emergency details form that I need to return to you?

Q: Who is in charge of first aid?