



Holborn
Community
Association
BEDFORD HOUSE

Dear Parent/Carer

Safety Notice

Please could you ensure that you change your children before they attend ballet and gymnastics classes?

The reception area is a public space and is not ideal for changing children. Firstly, while we can check the history of our staff, we cannot do this for members of the public. We have had advice from children's organisations and they have told us to alert parents and carers to the risks of changing children in an area where any member of the public can attend.

Secondly, children must wear shoes in reception as the floor in reception is not safe for walking with bare feet.

Thirdly some of our other service users have complained that it makes them feel uncomfortable to see naked children in the reception area.

In an ideal world we would love to have a private changing area for children however we simply do not have the space. If for some reason you cannot change your child please speak to the member of staff at the desk who will point you to alternative areas where you can take your child to change their clothing.

Please could you also help us keep the reception area safe and tidy? Please could you pick up debris, pencils and paper that your child drops on the floor - this will help greatly to reduce mess and the risk of accidents.

Thanking you for your cooperation.

Catherine Menist

Bedford House Centre Manager