

Granary Families Assessment Centre

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What do I need to bring with me to the Centre?

We ask parents to bring for themselves and their child(ren):

Clothes, towels and toiletries.

We ask parents to bring for their baby:

Baby clothes, cot linen, feeding bottles, breast pump, buggy or pushchair, car seat, baby towel, nappies, wipes, baby toiletries etc. For health and safety reasons we don't use bumpers in the cot.

If you, your partner, your child/ren or your baby are on medication you will need to bring that too. Please let us know if you are bringing medication as it will need to be stored safely for you by staff.

### What do we supply?

We supply all the furniture including cot for baby, bed linen (not for cot), sterilising unit, baby bath, baby bouncer chair, high chair, top and tail bowl, TV (in the communal room only), Kettle (in the kitchen), Toaster (in the kitchen), Pots and Pans, Crockery and Cutlery, Shared Iron.

You are welcome to bring along your own crockery and pots but they are provided at the Centre.

### What are the living arrangements at the Centre?

You will have your own room but share kitchen and bathroom facilities with other families. There is a communal room and a garden should you wish to make use of them. Everyone does their own shopping and cooking like they would at home. You will need enough money to get some shopping when you arrive. We also have a contact centre where meetings are held and where family members come for contact.

### Can I bring my own electrical appliances?

We suggest to people that they don't bring expensive electrical items (or jewelry). Any electrical items you bring have to be PAT tested to ensure they are ok before we can let you use them at the centre.

### Recommended Equipment List

Area	AGE 0-12 Months	HAVE	NEED	Age 1-5 years	HAVE	NEED
<b>Feeding</b>						
<b>Bottle feeding</b>	6 bottles, teats and caps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small folk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Formula	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small knife	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Bib	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Small spoon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Plastic measuring jug	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plastic cup	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Breast pads	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>Breast Feeding (inc. storage)</b>	Nursing bra	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	3 bottles, teats and caps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Breast pump	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>Weaning</b>	Bib	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	High chair	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Baby spoon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Plastic baby plate / bowl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Plastic baby starter cup	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>Hygiene</b>						
	Bottle Brush	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hairbrush	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sterilising pills or liquid	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Comb	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Sterilising dish with lid or (steam / microwave teriliser)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nail scissors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hairbrush	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Soap	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Comb	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shampoo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Nail scissors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flannel / sponge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Soap / baby bath	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Towel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Shampoo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Toothbrush & tooth paste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Flannel / sponge	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Towel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>Nappy Changing</b>						
	Changing Mat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Changing mat		
	Cotton wool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cotton wool		
	Basin / Bowl	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Basin / bowl		
	Baby lotion / cream / oil	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Baby lotion / cream / oil		
	Dispoable wipes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disposable wipes		
	Changing bag	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Changing bag		
	Nappy Sacks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nappy sacks		
	Nappy liners	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disposable Nappies		
	4 waterproof pants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nappy pins		
	Sanitising powder	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nappy liners		
				4 waterproof pants		
				Sanitising powder		
<b>Warmth</b>						
	4 cot sheets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	2 – 4 cot blankets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	You may also wish to bring sheets/duvet cover and pillow cases for yourself or any of your children who use a bed					<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other Equipment</b>						
	Pram	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Buggy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Buggy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Car seat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Car seat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

## **What Granary Families Assessment Centre Provides**

Granary Families Assessment Centre is based in terraced house in West Harrow.

In the kitchen there is washing machine and dryer – there is no charge for using this. You will be given time slots to do your washing when you move in.

We provide cooking utensils, saucepans, crockery, and cutlery.  
You may bring your own crockery, cooking pots and so on if you have particular things you like.

There is an iron and ironing board – we ask residents not to bring their own iron for safety reasons.

We only provide one set of bedlinen so please bring your own if you want.

**We do provide cots for babies and small beds for younger children.**

We also provide one set of bed linen for babies in cots but we expect parents to provide extra of their own as babies need their own personal effects.

### **Things we do not provide:**

**We do not provide baby monitors** – you will need a monitor even if your children are older. You will need to be able to hear if your child wakes up if you are elsewhere in the centre, eg in the bathroom, lounge, in the kitchen cooking and so on.

**We do not provide radios, or equipment to play music on** – we advise residents not to bring expensive equipment to the centre as we cannot be responsible if it should get damaged. We advise families not to bring electrical equipment unless it is less than one year old because all electrical equipment in the centre has to be PAT tested before it can be used.

**Please bring your own tea towels and towels** for yourself and your child(ren)

**We do not provide some baby equipment** – you will need to discuss with your social worker how you might get any of the following if you don't have them:

Buggy, car seat, bottles. We can assist you to apply for your Sure Start grant if you haven't done that yet.

**We do not provide a TV** – we ask residents not to bring their own tv as there is not an outside cable and aerial. We therefore encourage residents to watch tv in the lounge with other residents.

### **All parents are to remember:**

- Granary Families Assessment Centre expect you to have provisions for your child and yourself for the next 48 hours. This includes items such as nappies, wipes, milk and food etc. You must ensure that you never run out of essential items as this forms part of your assessment.
- You should have a baby bag packed with essential items at all times.
- You must have a minimum of £7.50 credit on your phone each week.
- You must allocate at least £10 a month to child focussed activities.
- An oyster card is essential for local travel. Local buses no longer take cash payments.

- You must have emergency money to be able to travel to and from hospital if needed.
- Granary Families Assessment Centres are unable to give loans.
- All medical appointments and outings including shopping trips must be booked 48 hours in advance.
- Every parent must adhere to the cleaning and washing rotas.
- The garden has a smoking area and can be used between 07:00 and 22:30 without exception. No smoking is permitted in the garden after this time.
- If you are required to provide urine for drug testing, this will be done in the morning, usually before 12:00. Staff will notify you that a urine sample will be required. Once given the urine pot staff will wait outside the bathroom for your sample.
- When in the garden, residents are to be mindful of the neighbours and their families. Speaking loudly and swearing will not be tolerated in the garden.
- Room checks are an Ofsted requirement. You must co-operate with staff at all times to allow them to see your child and gather relevant information.
- When you need to speak to a member of staff in the main office please knock and wait for someone to answer.
- We understand that being at Granary Families Assessment Centres is not always easy but please remember to treat staff with respect.
- On admission to Granary Families Assessment Centre a photograph is taken of each parent and child. This is for our records in the event of an emergency. Photographs can be returned when you leave.

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I ..... have read and understood this document. I agree to the terms and conditions within this document.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Date

**Name of Resident:**

60 Vaughan Road  
West Harrow  
Middlesex  
HA1 4EE

Dear

**Monitoring, Security and Safeguarding**

**CCTV Monitoring**

In order to safeguard you and your child(ren), we use CCTV monitoring in communal areas throughout the house. If required by the local authority CCTV will also be used in your bedroom and focused on your child's cot. There are instances where more coverage in your bedroom is required. This would not be done without seeking further agreement from you and that of the local authority.

No covert monitoring will take place and will be consulted if this needs to be implemented.

**Searches and Room Checks**

Granary staff will conduct room checks twice a day and room searches once a week or when deemed necessary. Room searches will include drawers, cupboards, wardrobe and fixtures and fittings. Two members of staff will be present during room searches.

**Producing Receipts**

You are required to present proof of purchase if requested to do so. Granary staff will photocopy your shopping receipts and return to you the original. These may be used as a part of informing your parenting assessment if there are concerns about your finances.

**Random Phone/Computer/Facebook Checks**

You are requested to submit to random phone checks and/or computer/Facebook checks. This may not be necessary during the course of your assessment. However, it may be required in order to ensure that you and the children in your care are not being placed at risk by any unsafe associations.

Please sign and return the form overleaf giving your consent to the above.

**Yours sincerely**

**Granary Families Assessment Centre**

## Monitoring, Security and Safeguarding Consent

Name \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby give my consent to the following:

- CCTV Monitoring
- Searches and Room Checks
- Producing Receipts
- Random Phone/Computer/Facebook Checks

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Print \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_