

IS SNUGGERS FOREVER?

No—unless everyone wants it to be.

A lot of children use Snuggers for a limited time only.

The adults will decide when it's time for a child to leave Snuggers.

WHAT ACTIVITIES DO SNUGGERS DO?

Drawing, painting, board games, music, artwork, craft, sewing, baking, ipads, toys, ball games, singing etc etc.....

Each week, Mrs Robinson and Snuggers staff meet to discuss the children and how they are getting on. They make plans for activities and ideas.

How do children get chosen for 'Snuggers Club?'

Mrs Radge (Inclusion Manager) and Mrs Robinson (Headteacher) will fill in a referral form for any child that has been suggested for membership.

Staff, parents, carers and other professionals can make suggestions for referrals.

Children can also ask to join for themselves. We love it when this happens. (Self-referral)

Does 'Snuggers' work? You be the judge.....

"Before I went to Snuggers with Mrs Brady I was always in trouble even in my other two schools, because I was really bad with my temper. I didn't have many friends. I was horrible actually—I kept hurting everyone. She made sure I was nice. Sometimes I was disrespectful to her but she kept helping me until I thought "I'm better off being nice to everybody." Now I'm out of Snuggers and I have loads of friends. People like me. That's never happened to me before."

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Welcome to Snuggers Club

A guide for Parents, Carers and children.



Acre Heads
A place to nourish thinking minds.



What is 'Snuggers Club?'

'Snuggers' is the affectionate term we use for our lunchtime daily Nurture Group.

It's a club run by highly experienced staff, supervised by Mrs Robinson.

It offers a safe haven, a refuge, a warm welcome, a hug and a sounding board for children with any kind of emotional, well being, behavioural, social or confidence issue.

It IS fun.

It IS a privilege.

It IS unique to Acre Heads.

It IS inclusion.

It's NOT a 'sin bin' or a detention room.

It's NOT isolation.

It's NOT negative.

WHAT HAPPENS AT SNUGGERS?

First of all children eat together in the hall with staff.

Then they go into one of the classrooms together.

They play, talk, do fun activities, discuss, choose, relax and enjoy themselves.

Finally, they go out to play with their usual friends—closely monitored by Snuggers staff.



WHY DO CHILDREN GO TO SNUGGERS?

Children may be asked to go to Snuggers if they:

- Have trouble finding friends to play with.
- Struggle with good manners.
- Are unhappy with their friendships.
- Have a worrying time at home.
- Need a little more attention.
- Have a physical or medical reason why playing outside isn't possible.
- Are feeling fed up.
- Would like to make new friends but don't know how to.
- Need some time out from their problems on the playground.
- Have difficulties communicating with other children.