

Taking Babies up and Down Stairs

RISK ASSESSMENT

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Babies and toddlers must be taken up and down stairs on a 1:1 ratio.

If the child can walk allow him/her to walk up ahead of you. Encourage the child to hold on to the rails and support his other hand with yours.

When coming down stairs, come down ahead of the child holding his hand with yours and allowing him to hold the rails with his other hand.

When caring a baby up or down stairs do not carry bags or coats as well.
Always have one hand free to support yourself.

Do not pass another member of staff on the stairs if you are taking a child up or down.

Always shut the gates at the top and bottom of the stairs.