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We will keep your GP and any other professionals involved in your child care informed of their progress.

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Or call 020 3049 5858 before 12 midday to speak to a member of the admin team.

Calls will only be picked up between the hours of 9am to 12 midday, any messages left after this time will not be dealt with until the next morning.

Supplies can also be picked up from Sunshine House between the hours of 9am to 12 midday by prior arrangement only.

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