

In the Family Court at Sandford

Case Number SA17F0000345

**Order Child Arrangement Order
Section 8 Children Act 1989**

The full name(s) of the child	Boy or Girl	Date(s) of Birth
Sandy May Groves	Girl	26/05/2014

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Final Order (CAP)

Deputy District Judge Morris SITTING IN PRIVATE ON 19 July 2020

1. THE PARTIES and REPRESENTATION

The applicant father is Matthew Groves who was assisted by [McKenzie Friend Philip Kedge](#).

The respondent mother is Abigail Groves who was assisted [by McKenzie Friend Michelle Blanson](#)

2. CAFCASS

Name Mrs Trigg
Sandford Cafcass Office, Penny Borough Lane
Date of Section 7 report 25th June 2020

3. THE APPLICATIONS

The father has applied for a Child Arrangements Order to determine the time the child spends with him.

4. THE HEARING

- a. Today's hearing was listed as a Final Hearing
- b. Today's hearing has been effective as the Final Hearing

5. RECITALS

- 5.1 Upon both parties agreeing not to make disparaging comments in relation to each other.
- 5.2 Upon both parties to contact each other in the event of emergencies i.e. the requirement of urgent and unplanned medical treatment for Sandy.
- 5.3 Upon both parties agreeing that Sandy should, where possible and in the absence of other commitments, continue her ballet classes on a Saturday.

6. THE COURT ORDERS

The child shall live with mother and make the child available to the father as follows:

- a) On each alternate weekend with the father collecting the child from school on a Friday and returning to mother at 6pm on the Sunday.
- b) For each of the half terms to be alternated on a rolling basis. For avoidance of doubt, the October Half Term 2020 to be with the father, the February half term 2021 to be with the mother and the May half term 2021 to be with the father. When the child is with the father, the father will collect from the last day of school and return to mother at 6pm on the Sunday before school recommences.
- c) Christmas Holidays will be split. The first half is from after school until handover at midday Boxing Day. The second half is from midday Boxing Day until the end of the holiday period. The halves alternate for each parent every year. For avoidance of doubt, for Christmas 2020, the first half is with the mother. When the child is to be with the father, the father will collect after school if he has the first half. If he has the second half, he will return the child at 6 pm on the Sunday before school. The parent who has the child on the first half will take the child to the other parent for the Boxing Day handover.
- d) Easter Holiday will be split. The first half is from after school until midday on the Easter Monday Bank Holiday. The second half is from midday on the Monday Bank Holiday until the end of the Holiday. The halves alternate for each parent every year. For avoidance of doubt, for Easter 2021, the first half is with the father. When the child is to be with the father, the father will collect after school if he has the first half. If he has the second half, he will return the child at 6 pm on the Sunday before school. The parent who has the child on the first half will take the child to the other parent for the Bank Holiday handover
- e) For the Summer Holiday, for every consecutive year, the mother will have weeks 2, 5 and 6. The father will have weeks 1,3 and 4. All handovers will be on Sunday at 6pm and will be transported by the parent who has the child.

For the first week, the week runs from end of school when the father picks up the child until the following Sunday week i.e. 9 days later. On week 6 the child stays with mother until return to school.

- f) For all other bank holidays, and inset days, the child remains with the parent who had them for that weekend.
- g) For the child's birthday, the child will remain with the parent who has them on that day. The other parent is permitted to contact the child via telephone or video.
- h) For Father's and Mother's Day, the child will be with that parent. If the child is due to be with the father on Mother's Day, then she will be returned at 10am. If the child is due to be with the mother on Father's Day, then the mother will drop Sandy off at 10am on the Sunday with the father dropping back at 6pm.
- i) The father, by way of indirect contact, can contact the child by telephone or video or other electronic device at 6.30 pm every Wednesday.
- j) For avoidance of doubt, for all holiday periods, the term time contact is suspended and resumes after the end of the holiday in the same pattern as if it had never been interrupted.
- k) This order may be varied with the written consent of both parents.

7. WARNING

Where a Child Arrangements Order is in force, and the arrangements regulated by it consist of, or include, arrangements which relate to either or both (a) with whom the child concerned shall live and (b) when the child shall live with any person, no person may cause the child to be known by a new surname or remove the child from the United Kingdom without the written consent of every person with parental responsibility for the child or the leave of the court.

However, this does not prevent the removal of the child, for a period of less than 1 month, by a person named in the Child Arrangements Order as a person with whom the child shall live (Sections 13(1), (2) and (4) Children Act 1989

It may be a criminal offence under the Child Abduction Act to remove the child from the United Kingdom without the leave of the court.

Where a Child Arrangements Order is in force: if you do not comply with a provision of this child arrangements order: (a) you may be held in contempt of court and committed to prison or fined,; and / or (b) the Court may make an order requiring you to undertake unpaid work ('an enforcement order') and/or an order that you pay financial compensation.