

General Welfare Requirement: Safeguarding and Promoting Children’s Welfare

The provider must promote the good health of the children, take necessary steps to prevent the spread of infection, and take appropriate action when they are ill.



Promoting health and hygiene

First Aid

Policy statement

In our setting staff are able to take action to apply first aid treatment in the event of an accident involving a child or adult. At least one member of staff with current first aid training is on the premises or on an outing at any one time. The first aid qualification includes first aid training for infants and young children. All newly qualified staff (Level 2 and 3) will receive first aid training within 3 months of gaining their qualification.

EYFS key themes and commitments

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
1.3 Keeping Safe 1.4 Health and wellbeing	2.2 Parents as partners 2.4 Key person	3.2 Supporting every Child 3.4 The wider context	

Procedures

Children’s First Aid Kit’s

We have 1 kit in the kitchen, 1 kit in the office and a smaller kit in the going out bag.

Our first aid kit complies with the Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981 and contains the following items only:

- Triangular bandages, sterile dressings, sterile eye pads, sterile gauze and saline pods.
- In addition to the first aid equipment, each box should be supplied with:
- disposable plastic (PVC or vinyl) gloves.
 - a children’s forehead ‘strip’ thermometer ear thermometer.
 - The first aid boxes are easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of children.
 - No un-prescribed medication is given to children, parents or staff.
 - On our registration form we ask “do we have your consent to obtain the appropriate medical assistance, in the case of an emergency? Parents sign and date their written approval on our registration form.

Legal

We keep a written record of all accidents to staff and children and first aid treatment given. Parents/carers are informed of any accident or injury sustained by the child on the same day or as soon as reasonably practical.

We will advise Ofsted and our LADO of any serious accident, illness or injury to, or death of, any child whilst in our care and the action to be taken. Notification must be made within 14 days of the incident occurring.

- Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations (1981) 3rd Edition 2013

Further guidance

- First Aid at Work: Your questions answered (HSE 2002)

www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg214.pdf

- Guidance on First Aid for Schools (DfEE)

www.teachernet.gov.uk/_doc/4421/GFAS.pdf

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