

Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement: Staff Qualifications, Support and Skills.

At least one person who has a current paediatric first aid certificate is on the premises at all times when children are present and must accompany children on outings.

Health: Providers must ensure there is a first aid box accessible at all times with appropriate content for use with children. Providers must keep a written record of accidents or injuries and first aid treatment.

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. We aim to ensure that first aid training is local authority approved and is relevant to staff caring for young children.

EYFS Key Themes and Commitments

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| A Unique Child | Positive Relationships | Enabling Environments | Learning and Development |
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Characteristics of Effective Learning

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| Playing and Exploring Engagement | Active Learning Motivation | Creating and Thinking Critically - Thinking |
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Procedures

The first aid kit Its contents are regularly checked ensuring all items are restocked taking into account used items and expiry dates.

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

- Triangular bandages (ideally at least one should be sterile) - x 4.
- Sterile dressings: a) Small (formerly Medium No 8) - x 3. b) Medium (formerly Large No 9) – HSE 1 - x 3. c) Large (formerly Extra Large No 3) – HSE 2 - x 3.
- Composite pack containing 20 assorted (individually-wrapped) plasters 1.
- Sterile eye pads (with bandage or attachment) e.g. No 16 dressing 2.
- Container or 6 safety pins 1. ☒ Guidance card as recommended by HSE 1.

In addition to the first aid equipment, each box is supplied with:

- 2 pairs of disposable plastic (PVC or vinyl) gloves.
- 1 plastic disposable apron.
- a children’s forehead ‘strip’ or digital thermometer.

The first aid box is easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of children.

We have nominated first aiders always within the Nursery and when on outings.

No un-prescribed medication is given to children, parents or staff (exceptions detailed in Administering Medicines policy).

At the time of admission to the setting, parents' written permission for emergency medical advice or treatment is sought. Parents sign and date their written approval. ☑

Parents sign a consent form at registration allowing staff to take their child to the nearest Accident and Emergency unit to be examined, treated or admitted as necessary on the understanding that parents have been informed and are on their way to the hospital.

Legal framework

Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations (1981)

Further guidance

First Aid at Work: Your questions answered (HSE 1997 - Revised 2009)

Basic Advice on First Aid at Work (HSE2006 - Revised 2008)

Guidance on First Aid for Schools: A Good Practise Guide (DfEE)

Useful Pre-school Learning Alliance publication

Medication Record (2010)

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Signed on behalf of Hook Village Nursery
Chairperson

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