

EYFS Health & Safety Environmental Policy

Rationale

In line with the School's Mission Statement we aim to help students develop their gifts and talents: spiritual and social; intellectual and emotional; aesthetic and physical through the provision of a broad and balanced curriculum, which is responsive to, and supportive of, their needs and aspirations, fosters intellectual curiosity and academic achievement, and motivates them to grow to their full potential. Our Mission Statement is distilled into our Vision Statement, and our aim is to develop our children, pupils and students so that they have "Strength of Mind, Strength of Values, Strength of Purpose".

All the necessary precautions will be adhered to regarding Health and Safety.

- Accredited Paediatric First Aider on the premises.
- The Nursery will be clean, safe and well maintained.
- There is a ratio of at least 2.3 m² of indoor space per child.
- All hazardous substances will be stored in a locked cupboard in a room not used by the children.
- All electrical equipment will be tested, safe and properly installed.
- Computer leads and other wires will be secured and will not be a tripping hazard.
- The Nursery will be well lit and ventilated.
- The Nursery will have non slip floor covering.
- The Nursery will be heated to the appropriate temperature.
- All safety and hygiene regulations will be followed.
- No smoking is allowed on the premises.
- Arrangements will be made for the safe arrival and departure of children.
- There will be appropriate parking facilities.
- There will be a well maintained outdoor playground with a mix of block paving, grass and bark chippings. These areas will always be fit for purpose. Where they become unsafe, access will be temporarily restricted until made safe.
- The Nursery premises will be fenced and have a lockable gate.
- There will be a lockable outdoor storeroom.
- There is a ramped entrance and disabled toilet.
- There is a separate staff toilet.
- There are the appropriate number of child sized toilets.
- All furniture used by children is at their height.
- There are laundry facilities, if they are required.
- A refrigerator is used to store milk.
- At least one member of EYFS staff has a Food Hygiene Certificate.
- At least one member of EYFS staff is Fire Safety trained.
- A list of Health and Safety/Risk assessment checks are carried out daily e.g. fire doors being free from obstruction. Any identified risks will be minimised or removed.
- Risk assessments are always carried out before an Educational Visit.
- Fire alarm practices are held termly and the system tested weekly.

Links to other policies

Health and Safety Part 1

Health and Safety Part 2

EYFS Health and Safety in the Nursery School

Review

This policy was reviewed by the Head of EYFS, August 2019.