



**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.

**EYFS key themes and commitments**

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

**Procedures**

*The First Aid Kit*

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

- NHS Direct Telephone No. 0845 4647
- Paediatric First Aid Book
- Riddor Sheet
- Notifiable Diseases sheet

- Protective Face Shield x 2
- Triangular bandage x 1
- Scissors with rounded ends x 1
- Plasters - hypo-allergenic assrtd
- Micropore tape x 1

Sterile dressings - various sizes  
Sterile eye pads  
Koolpak (kept in box in fridge)  
Medium wound dressings  
Large wound dressings  
Gauze swabs  
Finger Bandage  
Gloves x 2  
Eye pad x 2  
Waste bag x 1

In addition to the first aid equipment we keep a burn kit and a children's forehead 'strip' thermometer.

- The first aid box is easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of children.
- No un-prescribed medication is given to children, parents or staff.
- 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 by ambulance 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)  
[www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg214.pdf](http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg214.pdf)
- Basic Advice on First Aid at Work (HSE 2006)  
[www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg347.pdf](http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg347.pdf)
- Guidance on First Aid for Schools (DfEE)
- [www.teachernet.gov.uk/\\_doc/4421/GFAS.pdf](http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/_doc/4421/GFAS.pdf)

**This policy was adopted at a meeting of Blackmore community pre-school**

**Held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011**

**Signed on behalf of the management committee**

**Role of signatory – Committee chair**

