RUNNYMEDE PRE-SCHOOL

Health procedures

**4.1 Accidents and emergency treatment**

**Persons responsible for checking and stocking first aid box: KATHERINE SPARKES AND CATHERINE VICKERS**

The setting provides care for children and promotes health by ensuring emergency and first aid treatment is given as required. There are also procedures for managing food allergies in our Food safety and nutrition policy.

* Parents consent to emergency medical treatment consent on registration.
* At least one person who has a current paediatric first aid (PFS) certificate is on the premises and available at all times when children are present, who regularly updates their training; First Aid certificates are renewed at least every three years.
* All members of staff know the location of First Aid boxes, the contents of which are in line with St John’s Ambulance recommendations as follows:
* 20 individually wrapped sterile plasters (assorted sizes)
* 2 sterile eye pads
* 4 individually wrapped triangular bandages (preferably sterile)
* 6 safety pins
* 2 large, individually wrapped, sterile, un-medicated wound dressings
* 6 medium, individually wrapped, sterile, un-medicated wound dressings
* a pair of disposable gloves
* adhesive tape
* a plastic face shield (optional)
* Vinyl single use gloves are also kept , as well as a thermometer.
* There is a named person in the setting who is responsible for checking and replenishing the First Aid Box contents.
* A supply of cold compresses are kept in the kitchen fridge.
* For minor injuries and accidents, First Aid treatment is given by a qualified first aider; the event is recorded in the setting’s Accident Record book. Parents may have a photo-copy of the accident form on request.
* In the event on accidents and injuries, If the child is unduly upset or members of staff have any concerns about the injury. In which case they will contact the parent for clarification of what they would like to do, i.e. collect the child or take them home and seek further advice from NHS 111.
* Where we feel it is appropriate, for example a bump to the head, the parent is called and a paper copy of the accident will be generated and kept.

**Serious accidents or injuries**

* An ambulance is called for children requiring emergency treatment.
* First aid is given until the ambulance arrives on scene. If at any point it is suspected that the child has died, our **Death of a child on site** procedure is implemented and the police are called immediately.
* The registration form is taken to the hospital with the child.
* Parents or carers are contacted and informed of what has happened and where their child is being taken to.
* The setting managers arranges for a taxi to take the child and carer to hospital for further checks, if deemed to be necessary.

**Recording and reporting**

* In the event of a serious accident, injury, or serious illness, the designated person notifies the designated officer using **Confidential safeguarding incident report form** as soon as possible.
* The setting’s manager is consulted before a RIDDOR report is filed.
* If required, a RIDDOR form is completed; one copy is sent to the parent, one for the child’s file and one for the local authority Health and Safety Officer.
* The Chairperson is notified by the setting manager of any serious accident or injury to, or serious illness of, or the death of, any child whilst in their care. Notification to Ofsted is made as soon as is reasonably practicable and always within 14 days of the incident occurring. The designated person will, after consultation with the owners/directors/trustees, inform local child protection agencies of these events

**Further guidance**

Accident Record (Early Years Alliance 2019)