



High Legh Preschool Nursery - First Aid Policy

Policy Statement

At High Legh Preschool Nursery we can take action to apply first aid treatment in the event of an accident involving a child or adult. At least one adult with a current 12 hour paediatric first aid certificate is on the premises, or on an outing, at any one time. Newly qualified staff who achieved an early year's qualification at level 2 or 3 on or after 30 June 2016 also have a paediatric first aid certificate in order to be counted in the qualified adult: child ratios. The first aid qualification includes first aid training for infants and young children. We have evidence of due diligence when choosing first aid training and ensure that it is relevant to adults caring for young children. It is the aim of High Legh Preschool Nursery to provide paediatric first aid training for all the staff working at the setting.

The First Aid Kit

Our first aid kit is always accessible they are kept in the hall, kitchen main room and office and should contains the following items:

- Triangular bandages (ideally at least one should be sterile) x 4.
- Sterile dressings: • Small x 3 • Medium x 3 • Large x 3
- Composite pack containing 20 assorted (individually wrapped) plasters x 1.
- Sterile eye pads (with bandage or attachment) x2
- Container of 6 safety pins x 1.
- Guidance card as recommended by HSE x 1.

In addition, the following equipment is kept near to the first aid box:

- 2 pairs of disposable plastic (PVC or vinyl) gloves.
- 1 plastic disposable apron
- A children's forehead 'strip' thermometer.
- A supply of cool packs is stored in the fridge/freezer as appropriate.
- Information about who has completed first aid training is displayed and the location of the first aid box is provided to all our staff and volunteers.
- The first aid box is easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of children.
- Medication is only administered in line with our Administering Medicines policy, all Parents sign to give permission for their child to be treated in the case of an emergency.

In the case of minor injury or accidents

*first aid treatment is given by a qualified first aider.

- In the event of minor injuries or accidents, we normally inform parents when they collect their child, unless the child is unduly upset, or we have concerns about the injury. On collection parents will be asked to review and sign an accident form. In cases where a child is particularly distressed the Manager or person in charge will contact the child's parents for clarification of what they would like to do, i.e. whether they wish to collect the child and/or take them to their own GP.

Parents are to be notified in the case of a head bump and we are to monitor the child for signs of concussion.

In the event of a serious or life threatening injury or illness

- An ambulance is called for children requiring emergency treatment in the first instance. We will then contact parents immediately and inform them of what has happened and where their child has been taken.

A member of staff will accompany the Child in the ambulance until the parents arrive.