

Recording / Reporting Accidents & Incidents Policy

Accidents / incidents involving children during the general play sessions that are not reportable are recorded in the child's own file and are shown to the collecting parent / carer at the end of the session. A signature is required for each and every accident / incident.

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### **Our accident book:**

- is kept safe and accessible;
- all staff and volunteers know where it is kept and how to complete it;
- is reviewed at least half termly to identify any potential or actual hazards.

Ofsted is notified of any injury requiring treatment by a general practitioner or hospital doctor, or the death of a child or adult.

When there is any injury requiring general practitioner or hospital treatment to a child, parent, volunteer or visitor or where there is a death of a child or adult on the premises, we make a report to the Health and Safety Executive using the format for the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences.

### **Dealing with incidents.**

We meet our legal requirements for the safety of our employees by complying with RIDDOR (the Reporting of Injury, Disease and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations). We report to the Health and Safety Executive:

- any accident to a member of staff requiring treatment by a general practitioner or hospital;
- any dangerous occurrences. This may be an event that causes injury or fatalities or an event that does not cause an accident but could have done, such as a gas leak;
- any dangerous occurrence is recorded in our Incident Book.

### **Our Incident Book**

- We keep an incident book for recording incidents including those that are reportable to the Health and Safety Executive as above.
- These incidents include:
  - break in, burglary, theft of personal or the setting's property;
  - fire, flood, gas leak or electrical failure;
  - attack on member of staff or parent on the premises or near by;
  - any racist incident involving a staff or family on the centre's premises;
  - death of a child;
  - a terrorist attack, or threat of one.
- In the incident book we record the date and time of the incident, nature of the event, who was affected, what was done about it and if it was reported to the police, and if so a crime number. Any follow up, or insurance claim made, should also be recorded.
- In the unlikely event of a terrorist attack we follow the advice of the emergency services with regard to evacuation, medical aid and contacting children's families. Our standard Fire Safety Policy will be followed and staff will take charge of their key children. The incident is recorded when the threat is averted.
- In the unlikely event of a child dying on the premises, the emergency services are called, and the advice of these services are followed.
- The incident book is **not** for recording issues of concern involving a child. This is recorded in the child's own file.