

**General Welfare Requirement: Safeguarding and Promoting Children’s Welfare**

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**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	

**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.

**Procedures**

**The first aid kit**

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

- Triangular bandages (ideally at least one should be sterile) - x 4.
- Sterile dressings:
  - a) Small (formerly Medium No 8) - x 3.
  - b) Medium (formerly Large No 9) – HSE 1 - x 3.
  - c) Large (formerly Extra Large No 3) – HSE 2 - x 3.
- Composite pack containing 20 assorted (individually-wrapped) plasters x 1.
- Sterile eye pads (with bandage or attachment) eg No 16 dressing x2.
- Container or 6 safety pins x1.
- Guidance card as recommended by HSE x1.

In addition to the first aid equipment, each box should be supplied with:

- 2 pairs of disposable plastic (PVC or vinyl) gloves.
- a children’s forehead ‘strip’ thermometer.

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- The first aid box is easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of children.
- No medication is given to children, parents or staff without written consent.
- 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 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)

This policy was adopted at a meeting of	The Hullbridge Pre-school	name of setting
Held on	_____	(date)
Date to be reviewed	_____	(date)
Signed on behalf of the management committee	_____	
Name of signatory	Kristy Sangwin	
Role of signatory (e.g. chair/owner)	Chairperson	