



FOREST VILLAGE KINDERGARTEN

Health and Safety Policy

For the Kinderland Forest Kindergarten is the health and safety of our children, parents, staff/ contractors and visitors paramount to us. We are keen to adopt best practice in all areas of health and safety.

In addition to this policy, please also see The Kinderland Forest Kindergarten's other policies, including First Aid and Risk Assessment Policies, which are relevant to this Health and Safety Policy

In accordance with the HEALTH and SAFETY at WORK ACT 1974

We have procedures in place to support this:

- All toys are checked and cleaned regularly to ensure they are safe to use
- Medicines and cleaning products are kept out of reach of small children
- We have an emergency plan, including an evacuation plan
- We keep the kitchen very clean, following hygiene guidelines on the storage of food, e.g. keeping the fridge at the correct temperature
- Waste bins are emptied regularly
- We encourage good hygiene skills with the children and myself, for example washing hands after going to the toilet, before touching food and after touching animals
- We teach children safety skills, such as how to cross the road safely
- We encourage the children to make healthy food choices and to take physical exercise
- We have a fire blanket and smoke detectors which are routinely tested to be in working order
- We remove any toys or equipment found to be faulty from areas where children can access.



Risk Assessments

We identify potential hazards through undertaking risk assessments for all areas where children in my care will be allowed access. These will be reviewed each time I accept a new child into my care to take into account any specific issues relating to that child. I also undertake an observational risk assessment each morning before the children arrive.

