

# Staff Qualifications, Training, Support and Skills

# <u>First Aid</u>

## **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 a current first aid certificate 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. We aim to ensure that first aid training is local authority approved and is relevant to staff caring for young children.

### Procedures

Our first aid kit is accessible at all times, complies with the Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981. We follow recommendations given by lead practitioners on First Aid courses as to what should be in our First Aid Box.

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

- 2 pairs of disposable plastic (PVC or vinyl) gloves.
- 1 plastic disposable apron.
- A children's forehead 'strip' thermometer.
- The first aid box is easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of children.
- No un-prescribed medication is given to children, parents or staff.
- 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.

### **Review Date: September 2018**