



Outdoor play and Outings Policy

In order to ensure that the children in our care receive the opportunity to explore the world around them and to have access to fresh air we will take them outside for play and exploration. Their safety is of paramount importance to us and therefore when playing outside we will –

Make regular risk assessments of the outdoor play provision ensuring that the children are free from harm.

Remind parents/carers of the need for adequate sun protection during the summer months.

Ensure that children have adequate warm clothing to wear during the colder months of the year.

Outings:

In order to encourage the children in the development of their knowledge and understanding of the world around them we will from time to time take the children on local outings. These outings will consist of trips in the local community such as the library, the duck pond and across the fields for nature walks.

In order to keep the children safe on these outings the following procedure will apply –

The staff/child ratio will never be any less than one adult to four children.

A senior member of staff will always be present.

A route will be planned and a risk assessment made.

A mobile phone will be carried by a staff member.

Parental permission will be obtained.

This Policy was adopted at a meeting of the pre-school held on 23rd August 2024.

Signed on behalf of the pre-school: Rebecca Horseman (Manager)

Date to be reviewed: 23rd August 2025