St Marychurch Pre-school

Risk Assessment Policy

Statement of intent

This setting believes that the health and safety of children is of paramount importance. We make our setting a safe and healthy place for children, parents, practitioners and volunteers.

Aim

We aim to make children, parents and practitioners aware of health and safety issues and to minimise the hazards and risks to enable the children to thrive in a healthy and safe environment.

Methods

Our risk assessments are carried out jointly by the designated health and safety person and two committee members.

Our risk assessment procedure includes:

Checking for hazards and risks indoor and outside, in our premises and in our activities and procedures.

Our assessment covers adults and children:

- Deciding which areas need attention
- Identify the risk, where it is and what it is?
- Who is at risk?
- Assessing the risk and likelihood of it happening and grading the level of risk as high, medium or low.
- Developing an action plan that specifies the action required, the timescales for action, the person responsible for the action and any funding required, to reduce or eliminate the risk.
- Monitor and review.
- Risk assessments are reviewed in June and November.

We maintain lists of health and safety issues, which are checked:

- Daily before the session begins
- Weekly and
- Twice a year when a full risk assessment is carried out

Legal Framework

Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1992

Our designated Health and Safety person is Jane Brewer

Signed:	Position: _	Chairperson
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Dated:		

We aim to provide a safe, stimulating, caring, happy Pre-school where all children and their families are welcome. We provide a curriculum based on the Early Years Foundation Stage using individual children's interest and needs.