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## 6.3 Supervision of children on outings and visits

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| 1 |  | **Policy statement**  Children benefit from being taken outside of the premises on visits or trips to local parks, or other suitable venues, for activities which enhance their learning experiences. We ensure that there are procedures to keep children safe on outings; all staff and volunteers are aware of and follow the procedures as laid out below. | |
| 2 |  | **Procedures**   * All off-site activity has a clearly identified educational purpose with specific learning and development outcomes. * There is a designated lead for each excursion who is clear about their responsibility as designated lead. * We ask parents to sign a general consent on registration for their children to be taken out on local short outings as a part of the daily activities of the setting. * We assess the risks for each local venue. * All staff taking part in the outing sign every risk assessment to confirm they have read it before the outing takes place. * Children with allergies or other specific needs have a separate risk assessment completed, i.e. child with allergies visiting a supermarket. * An excursion will not go ahead if concerns are raised about its viability at any point. * Any written outing risk assessments can be made available for parents to see. * Our adult-to-child ratio is high, normally one adult to four children, depending on their age, sensibility and the type of venue, as well as how it is to be reached. * A minimum of two staff accompany children on outings. Unless the whole setting is on an outing, a minimum of two staff also remain behind with the rest of the children. * Named children are assigned to individual staff members to ensure that each child is well supervised, that no child goes astray and that there is no unauthorised access to children. * Staff frequently count their designated children and ensure hands are held when on the street and crossing the road. * Children are to wear high vis jackets with the preschool logo on. * Parents who accompany us on outings are responsible for their own child only. Where parents have undergone vetting with us as volunteers, they may be included in the adults-to-child ratio and have children allocated to them. * Outings are recorded in an outings record book kept in the setting, stating: * The date and time of the outing. * The venue and mode of transport used. * The names of the staff members assigned to each of the children. * The time of return. * We take a mobile phone on outings, as well as supplies of tissues, wipes, spare clothing and nappies, medicines required for individual children, a mini first aid kit and if necessary snacks and water. The amount of equipment will vary and be consistent with the venue and the number of children, as well as how long they will be out for. We apply sun cream to children as needed and ensure they are dressed appropriately for the type of outing and weather conditions. * We take a list of children with us and a copy of our Missing Child Policy on small group outings. * On whole setting outings we take a list of the children and all of their contact details as well as the contact details of the staff on the outing. | |
| Policy Adopted by | | | Aston Clinton Preschool |
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| Name of signatory | | | Hannah Hughes …………………………………………………… |