

HEALTH AND SAFETY PROCEDURES

SECTION 2 - Safety

ALL WEATHER PROTECTION.

STATEMENT:

We recognise the benefits to children's health, well being and development that access to the outdoor environment brings. Children are given the opportunity to access outdoors during all our sessions.

Procedure:

- Free flow access between the indoor environment and outdoor environment is offered from 9.30am for Preschool sessions and 1.30pm for 2-3 club sessions.
- Children are encouraged to wear a hat outside in the summer. They are required to wear suitable clothing for the elements including coat and wellies in the cold wet weather. The Preschool has water proof jackets, hats and some wellies available for children should they forget to bring their own.
- Parents are asked to supply sun cream for their children in a named bottle that staff will administer during the sunny months.
- Staff will only administer the sun cream provided by the parents to avoid the risk of an allergic reaction.
- Children who do not have sun cream with them will still be able to access the outdoor activities but will have to stay under the protection of the parasol.
- Parents are reminded through newsletters and flyers to bring in hats, wellies and sun cream for their children.
- Where staff have assessed the weather conditions and feel that for children to be outside for long periods of time would be unsafe, the free flow session will be reduced. This may be due to very strong winds, icy ground, extremely cold conditions or very hot weather.

Signed:

Chairperson

Supervisor

Date:

Date for next Review: