



## **Little Foresters Crèche Safety Policy and Practice**

The safety of young children is of paramount importance. In order to ensure the safety of both children and adults the group will ensure that:

- All children will be supervised by adults at all times.
- A book will be available at each session for the reporting of any accident/incident.
- All adults will be aware of the system in operation for the arrival and departure of children and an adult will be at the door during these times.
- Children will only leave the group with authorised adults.
- Equipment and toys will conform to safety regulations and will be sound and well made.
- Equipment will be checked regularly and any dangerous items repaired or discarded.
- Rules will be set in relation to the use of equipment.
- Layout and space ratios mean that children can move freely between activities.
- Fire doors will not be obstructed and fire drills will be held once every half term.
- Heating and ventilating systems will enable comfortable and legally required temperatures to be maintained.
- Children will not have unsupervised access to kitchens, cookers or cupboards storing hazardous materials.
- Adults will not have hot drinks within the reach of children.
- A register of both adults and children will be completed on arrival so that a complete record is available in an emergency.
- There will be no smoking in rooms used by children.
- A correctly stocked first aid box will be available at all times.
- Large equipment will be erected with care and checked regularly.
- Equipment offered to children will be developmentally appropriate.
- Appropriate safety arrangements will be made for children with disability or learning difficulties.

- Group is able to store equipment in a way that does not endanger children