



Accidents and First Aid – Information for Parents

At The Redbrick Day Nursery, your child's health, safety and wellbeing are our highest priority. We take all reasonable steps to reduce risks within the nursery, however we recognise that minor accidents can occasionally happen as children learn, explore and develop.

This information explains how we care for your child if an accident or incident occurs while they are with us.

How We Manage Accidents and Incidents

- Children are always supervised by trained staff.
- If an accident or incident occurs, your child will be comforted and cared for immediately.
- Appropriate first aid will be given by a member of staff trained in paediatric first aid.
- All accidents and incidents, including head bumps, are recorded on our secure system (EYLog).
- You will be informed on the same day and asked to acknowledge the record.

Head Injuries

We take head injuries very seriously.

If your child bumps their head: - They will be closely monitored by a trained member of staff. - First aid will be administered as appropriate. - You will be informed as soon as possible. - For more serious head injuries, we follow NHS guidance and emergency procedures where needed.

If we feel it is in your child's best interest to be collected or assessed by a medical professional, we will contact you immediately.

Medical Attention and Emergencies

- If your child requires medical attention, we will contact you straight away.
- In an emergency, an ambulance will be called immediately.
- A familiar member of staff will stay with your child until you arrive.

We will always act in your child's best interests and keep you fully informed.



First Aid Provision

- Most of our staff are trained in paediatric first aid, with at least one qualified first aider present at all times.
- First aid boxes are located throughout the nursery and are checked regularly.
- Only appropriate first aid items are kept on site; medication is administered separately in line with our medication policy.

Outings

- Children are always accompanied by staff trained in paediatric first aid when attending outings.
- A first aid kit and any required emergency medication are taken on all trips.

Food Safety and Play

- Children are fully supervised during mealtimes.
- Food is prepared safely and appropriately to reduce choking risks.
- Some food-based materials may be used for learning activities, such as playdough or pasta, but these are risk assessed and clearly differentiated from food intended for eating.

Hygiene and Infection Control

- Staff follow strict hygiene procedures when dealing with cuts, spills or bodily fluids.
- Personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves is always used when needed.
- All cleaning and disposal procedures meet health and safety requirements.

Our Commitment to Safety

We regularly review accidents and incidents to identify patterns and reduce future risks. All staff receive ongoing training to ensure high standards of care, safety and supervision.

If you have any questions about how we manage accidents or first aid, please speak to a member of the management team who will be happy to help.