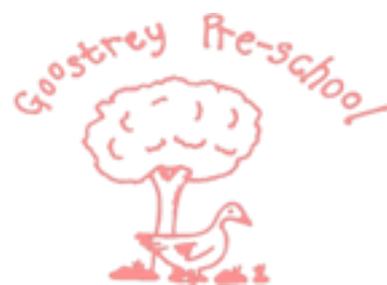


# First aid



## **EYFS Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements**

### Staff Qualifications, Training, Support and Skills

*At least one person who has a current paediatric first aid certificate is always on the premises when children are present and must accompany children on outings.*

### Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement: Health

*The provider must ensure there is always a first aid box accessible with appropriate content for use with children. Providers must keep a written record of accidents or injuries and first aid treatment*

## **Policy statement**

Early years education providers, including schools, must meet the paediatric first aid requirements set out in the statutory framework for the early years foundation stage (EYFS). This includes arrangements for off-site activities involving young children such as educational visits.

The EYFS requires that at least one person who has a current paediatric first aid (PFA) certificate should be on the premises and available at all times when children are present and should accompany children on outings. The certificate must be for a full course consistent with the criteria set out in annex A in the EYFS.

All staff who obtained a level 2 or level 3 qualification on or after 30 June 2016 must also have either a full PFA or an emergency PFA certificate within 3 months of starting work in order to be included in the required staff to child ratios at level 2 or level 3 in an early years setting.

Students and Apprentices ages 16 and over can be included in ratios below their level of study if they hold a valid and relevant PFA certificate and are deemed competent by the manager.

Goostrey Pre-School aim for all staff to have completed a Paediatric First Aid Course and remain in date by refreshing every 3 years, this must be renewed before the current certificate expires. The course is 12 hours and it is our responsibility to choose a competent first aid provider.

## **Procedures**

- Information about who has completed first aid training is located on the noticeboard and includes expiry dates
- The location of the first aid box is in the kitchen in the cupboard marked
- The first aid box is easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of children.
- The Manager or Deputy Manager are responsible for checking and replenishing the first aid box contents- this is completed half termly or sooner if required.
- Medication is only administered in line with our Administering Medicines policy.
- In the case of minor injury or accidents, first aid treatment is given by a qualified first aider.
- In the event of minor injuries or accidents, we normally inform parents when they collect their child, unless the child is unduly upset or we have concerns about the injury. In which case we will contact the child's parents for clarification of what they would like to do, i.e. whether they wish to collect the child and/or take them to their own GP.
- If a child has a head bump, parents will be contacted and it will be explained that the child will be closed monitored and a bumped head form will be completed.

- An ambulance is called for children requiring emergency treatment. We contact parents immediately and inform them of what has happened and where their child has been taken.
- Parents sign a consent form at registration allowing a member of staff to take their child to the nearest Accident and Emergency unit to be examined, treated or admitted as necessary on the understanding that they have been informed and are on their way to the hospital.
- Accidents and injuries are recorded on accident and headbang forms and, where applicable, notified to the Health and Safety Executive, Ofsted and/or local child protection agencies in line with our Recording and Reporting of Accident and Incidents Policy.

## Legal framework

- Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations (1981)
- Early Years Foundation Stage statutory framework (EYFS) (2025)

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