Policy for taking children outside the nursery

Outings Policy

Parents sign on registration to say they are happy for their child to leave the nursery premises. This gives us the flexibility to go for walks or to visit suitable venues within the town of Stamford. If we do not have signed permission children will not be taken for walks outside the nursery or school premises.

Adult: child ratios are high and we always exceed the number of adults required.

The pre-school children attend Forest School at our Forest School site in Ketton. Parents give signed permission for children to attend Forest School and are aware of the associated benefits and risks. Please see Forest School Risk Assessments.

Parents are notified well in advance about any **major** outing plans. Parents sign to say they give permission for their child to go on the trip and sign to give permission for their child to be taken to hospital in the event of an accident and for a general anaesthetic to be given if necessary. We only use reputable coach companies and all coaches have seat belts fitted. We ask for parent/volunteers to accompany us if needed. Venues are always checked before outings for suitability. Areas are assessed for risk and adults informed. A risk assessment is undertaken prior to any outing and the venues own risk assessment is read by all attending.

Children and staff contact numbers, a mobile phone and a first aid kit are taken on all outings. A member of staff with a paediatric first aid certificate is present on outings.

This policy is reviewed annually

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