



Healthcare Policy

At Once Upon A Time Nursery we ensure that good health of the children is promoted, and positive steps are taken to prevent the spread of infection with appropriate measures taken in cases of illness.

- The premises and equipment are kept clean and hygienic. Cleaning rotas are in place and a clean as you go method is implemented
- Children are encouraged to learn about personal hygiene and practice it throughout the day e.g. the use and disposal of tissues, correct hand washing procedures etc
- Parents/guardians are aware that they need to inform the nursery staff about their child's health care needs and in consultation with the parent/guardian those needs will be addressed, taking any action that is necessary. This information is gained during the settling in sessions
- Written parental permission is obtained in advance in the nursery contract regarding any necessary emergency medical advice or treatment
- No child will be received if he/she appears to be ill on arrival at nursery. If a child becomes unwell during their day at nursery, care is taken to prevent the possible spread of infection and parents/guardians are notified as soon as possible and arrangements made for the collection of their child (see covid policy)
- Other parents/guardians are informed on the Family App whether a child attending the nursery, or anyone else on the premises (e.g. a staff member or family member), has been diagnosed with a significant infectious disease (e.g. chicken pox, impetigo) maintaining confidentiality as appropriate.
- Staff are informed and aware of the importance of good hygiene practice to prevent the spread of infection. Staff are informed of and kept up to date with good hygiene procedures
- Sandpits are protected from contamination and the sand used is clean and changed regularly
- All staff responsible for the preparation and handling of food are fully aware of and comply with regulations relating to food safety and hygiene. Safer Food Better Business for Caterers is accessible to all staff
- The first aid boxes comply with the relevant regulations, the contents of which are checked frequently and replaced as necessary. There is a first aid box in each room which is accessible to staff, but out of the reach of children
- At least 1 in 10 of the staff at Once Upon A Time Nursery are trained in Paediatrics first aid, holding a 12 hour certificate. The staff renew their first



aid certificates every 3 years. All other staff in the adult-to-child staffing ratios must undertake an emergency Paediatric 6-hour training course. New staff must undertake the above 6-hour course within 3 months of start of employment

- There is a nappy changing procedure in place with which staff are familiar. The procedure covers both hygiene matters and good safeguarding practice
- Smoking or vaping is not permitted in the nursery at any time.