ST.MICHAEL'S
PRE-SCHOOL

FIRST AID

Policy statement

In our setting, six out of eight staff have a current First Aid Paediatric Certificate. The first aid qualification includes first aid training for infants and young children. We aim to ensure that first aid training is Ofsted approved and is relevant to staff caring for young children. **All staff will be undertaking Paediatric First Aid Training in November 2026.**

Procedures

The first aid kit

Our first aid kit is accessible at all times, complies with the Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981
and contains the following items:

- Triangular bandages (ideally at least one should be sterile) x 4.
- Sterile dressings:
  - Small x 3.
  - Medium x 3.
  - Large x 3.
- Composite pack containing 20 assorted (individually-wrapped) plasters x 1.
- Sterile eye pads (with bandage or attachment) e.g. No 16 dressing x 2.
- Container of 6 safety pins x 1.
- Guidance card as recommended by HSE x 1.

In addition to the first aid equipment, each box should be supplied with:

- 2 pairs of disposable plastic (PVC or vinyl) gloves.
- 1 plastic disposable apron.
- A child's digital thermometer
- The first aid box is easily accessible to adults and is kept out of the reach of children.
- No un-prescribed medication is given to children, parents or staff. **Please see administering medicines policy for exceptions).**
- At the time of each child's admission to the setting, parents' written permission for obtaining emergency medical advice or treatment is sought. Parents sign and date their written approval.
- Parents sign a consent form at registration allowing staff to take their child to the nearest Accident and Emergency unit to be examined, treated or admitted as necessary on the understanding that parents have been informed and are on their way to the hospital.

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