

## Accident and Allergies Policy

### Accidents

Any accidents that happen during Nursery hours and whilst the child is under supervision of Nursery staff, will be dealt with in the following manner:

#### MINOR CUTS AND GRAZES

These will be washed in water and covered with a dressing if necessary.

#### BUMPS AND BRUISES

A cold-water compress or ice pack will be applied to bumps and bruises. In the case of a head injury, the child will be monitored for signs of concussion for the rest of the Nursery session. Signs of concussion are: dizziness, sickness, loss of colour, lapsing in and out of consciousness. The Head Teacher will take appropriate action.

#### KNOCKS, BANGS AND BROKEN LIMBS

These will be checked for any bruising, swelling of joints and mobility. If there is a fracture or broken limb is suspected, the child will be made comfortable and checked for shock. Symptoms of shock are: shaking, loss of colour, perspiration (damp and clammy). The Head Teacher will take appropriate action.

#### MAJOR CUTS

Apply direct pressure to the wound to stop the bleeding. Apply ample dressing and re-apply as necessary, but never remove the dressing in contact with the wound. The Head Teacher will take appropriate action.

### Safety and Allergies

Rockwood is not a purpose built Nursery School and parents are asked to note that children will be supervised on the stairs but will use the downstairs toilets on their own. Children at Rockwood are encouraged to be independent and are shown how to move around the building. Every precaution is taken to ensure the children's safety. Parents are asked to send their children in appropriate clothing and footwear (no flip flops please), and to remove any items of jewellery, which could cause injury. Remember, we have a lovely garden area, and the children will be outside enjoying it most days.

Rockwood Nursery School aims to provide a full and varied range of activities for the children's enjoyment and development. This may include baking and eating cooked food. Parents must inform the school of any food or other allergies their child may have.

No application of proprietary oils, lotions or creams will be administered unless prescribed by a GP and the school Health Care Plan is completed. The child will be comforted and reassured after any accident.