

## Health and Safety

### Fire safety and emergency evacuation

#### Policy statement

Hamble Village Playschool ensures our premises present no risk of fire by ensuring the highest possible standard of fire precautions. The person in charge and staff are familiar with the current legal requirements. Where necessary we seek the advice of a competent person, such as a Fire Officer or refer the matter to the chair of the hall committee.

#### EYFS key themes and commitments

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
1.3 Keeping safe		3.3 The learning environment 3.4 The wider context	

#### Procedures

- The basis of fire safety is risk assessment. These are carried out by a 'competent person'.
- Settings in rented premises will ensure that they have a copy of the fire safety risk assessment that applies to the building and that they contribute to regular reviews.
- Fire doors are clearly marked, never obstructed and easily opened from the inside.
- Smoke detectors/alarms and fire fighting appliances conform to BSEN standards, are fitted in appropriate high risk areas of the building and are checked as specified by the manufacturer.
- Our emergency evacuation procedures are approved by the Fire Safety Officer and are:
  - clearly displayed in the premises;
  - explained to new members of staff, volunteers and parents; and
  - practised regularly at least once every six weeks.
  - Records are kept of fire drills and the servicing of fire safety equipment.

*Emergency evacuation procedure*

- How the children, staff and parents know where the fire exits are:  
*Through inductions and fire practice drills*
- How children are led from the building to the assembly point:  
*By a member of staff*
- How they will be accounted for and who by:  
*By the supervisor of the session*
- How long it takes to get the children out safely:  
*Approx 3 minutes*
- Who calls the emergency services and when in the event of a real fire:  
*Senior member of staff*
- How parents are contacted:  
*By mobile phone*

*The fire drill record book must contain:*

- Date and time of the drill.
- How long it took.
- Whether there were any problems that delayed evacuation.
- Any further action taken to improve the drill procedure.

**Legal framework**

- Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005

**Further guidance**

- Fire Safety Risk Assessment - Educational Premises (HMG 2006)

This policy was adopted at a meeting of **HAMBLE VILLAGE PLAYSCHOOL**

Held on ..... (date)

Date to be reviewed ..... (date)

Signed on behalf of the committee .....

Name of signatory .....

Role of signatory .....