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## Outdoor Play Policy

At *Once Upon A Time* nursery we are committed to the importance of outdoor play and physical development in all children regardless of their age and stage of development. All activities will be made accessible to children with learning difficulties and additional needs to ensure all children are able to freely and independently use the outdoor area and physical play opportunities to best effect.

Children need regular access to outdoor play in order to develop their large and small muscles, experience an environment that is different to the inside of the nursery and more importantly access sunlight in order to absorb vitamin D more effectively.

The outdoor areas, both within the nursery grounds and in the local community have a wealth of resources which help children to develop in a variety of ways, including independence, exploration and investigative skills, risk taking and self-esteem all of which support children to develop skills for now and the future.

The nursery will ensure all areas are safe and secure through close supervision and the use of robust risk assessments and safety checks. Staff are informed of the importance of these procedures and are trained appropriately to ensure these procedures are followed effectively.

Parents' permission for short outings into the local community is asked for when the child joins the nursery but separate consent will be required for planned visits further afield. Please refer to the outings policy for further information on this process.

All outdoor play opportunities and outings will complement the indoor activities and provide children with both adult-led and child-initiated opportunities (wherever appropriate) to enable children to learn and practice new skills, knowledge and behaviours.

The nursery will use this policy alongside the following policies to ensure the safety and welfare of children throughout their time outside.

Health and safety

Sun care

Lost child policy

Outings Policy

