## **Health and safety Policy**

The health and safety of your child is very important to us, so therefore we have documented the procedures that we have in place to support this;

- All toys and equipment will be checked and cleaned regularly, any broken toys will be thrown away immediately.
- We will only give your child toys and resources appropriate for their age.
- We conduct a visual risk assessment of our setting every morning before the children arrive to ensure that it is a safe environment.
- We use safety equipment appropriate for the children in our care. Children are not allowed in the kitchen area.
- Car seats are checked regularly to ensure they are correctly fitted (for outings)
- We keep upto date on services and MOT. Car and Minibus insurance is for business use and any staff who transport children in their cars, have the relevant business insurance & maintenance checks MOT.
- The gate to the premesis, has a combination lock, to which only staff members have the code.
- The front door to the hut is locked.
- We have procedures in place in case of fire or emergency (Please see Emergency evacuation procedure).
- We keep the kitchen very clean, following hygiene guidelines on the storing of food, keeping the fridge at the correct temperature etc. We keep regularly up to date with food hygeine procedures. Courses taken.
- We follow strict hygiene guidelines to prevent cross contamination.
- We will work with you to encourage the children to eat healthy foods and make healthy choices.
- We ensure the children do not have access to any waste. Bins are emptied and disinfected daily, nappies are wrapped and placed in the outside bin.
- Smoking is not permitted on site at any time.
- We have strict child protection guidelines in place (Please see Child protection policy).
- Children must stay with us when we are away from the setting, younger children will be strapped in the pushchair, older children will hold hands or the pushchair. Hi Viz jackets worn when out. We carry emergency contact details at all times.
- We will restrain a child if they are putting themselves or others in danger (Please see Physical contact policy).
- We will work with you to teach the children about safety issues such as... crossing the road and stranger danger.
- Should a child fall asleep any sleeping children will be monitored.
- We discourage the children from keeping secrets.