

ICT Safeguarding



ICT Safeguarding Policy

We believe that ICT has the potential to improve teaching and learning throughout the curriculum. We encourage children to use ICT to take responsibility in the planning and presentation of their learning. As ICT is part of everyday learning, all staff and children are aware of the importance of communication with regards to online safety. Staff model safe internet use and language and have regular discussions with children about how we can keep ourselves safe online. We have also introduced safeguarding bears Luna Love and Safety Sam to encourage open communication about safety both online and offline.

ICT in Practice

ICT is incorporated into the children's learning in a variety of ways. For example:

- Staff using laptops and iPads to present information relevant to children's learning. This includes video recordings.*
- Children taking charge of their learning by taking pictures of what they have learned and are proud of, uploading to learning journals with support.*
- Children using ICT independently (with supervision) or with support from an adult. Including the printer and photocopier.*

Online Safety

All staff are familiar with policies and procedures regarding safe technology use with children. Staff also have up to date training on online safety and have regular discussions with children on how they can keep themselves safe online.

Nursery laptops and iPads are installed with appropriate security (RM) ensuring that no children or staff member can access any inappropriate

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websites or apps. Resources are also available for parents on our website to encourage online safety in the home environment.

ICT Resources

- *ICT devices such as iPads, tablets, laptops, cd players, etc.*
 - *Camcorders, walkie talkies, torches.*
 - *Programmable toys such as bee-bots.*
 - *Telephones, mobile phones, and printers.*

Health and Safety

All electrical equipment within the nursery building is given annual electrical PAT testing.

Mobile Phones

- *Staff are all aware the use of mobile phones is prohibited in the playroom.*
- *Staff must keep mobile phones in bags in their allocated locker/shelf until break time.*
- *One member of staff must take a mobile when out in the community for emergencies/communication purpose only.*
- *No parent/carer is allowed to use their mobile when inside the nursery.*
 - *Mobile prohibited signs will be displayed.*