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## Strawberry How Nursery School

### COSHH Compliance Risk Assessment

COSHH stands for 'Control of Substances Hazardous to Health' and under the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002, employers need to either prevent or reduce their workers' exposure to substances that are hazardous to their health.

Risks defined 1 – 5 (with 5 offering significant risk)

Hazardous Substances used within the nursery-

- Thin and thick bleach
- Cream Cleaner
- Over cleaner
- Anti-bacterial spray
- Toilet cleaner
- Aerosol air freshener
- Anti-bacterial hand wash
- Anti-bacterial hand gel
- Drain un-blocker
- Lemon floor gel
- Washing powder
- Milton sterilising fluid
- Carpet cleaner solution
- Disinfectant aerosol spray
- Washing up liquid
- Turps
- Fish tank water cleaner
- Calpol
- Piriton
- Stain remover
- Aerosol air freshener
- Sun cream

#### Assessment of Risk – Main Utility Room, Main hallway (RA 1/1.5)

All hazardous materials are kept stacked neatly on shelves behind a locked door. The key to the door is kept out of the reach of children and the door handles are positioned higher to prevent children opening the doors.

**Assessment of Risk – Storing Substances in the Room (RA 1/1.5)**

Only less harmful substances are kept in a high safe place away from the children i.e. antibacterial spray, aerosol air freshener and washing up liquid. Staff are advised on best practice while using these products and are ever vigilant to ensure the products are used and stored safely.

**Assessment of Risk – Second Utility Room (next to the Caterpillar Room) (RA1)**

Washing up powder, anti-bacterial spray, air freshener and bleach as kept in the utility room which children don't have access to.

**Assessment of Risk – Staff using all the Cleaning Supplies (RA1/1.5)**

During every member of staff's induction, they are advised on the best practise when using the cleaning supplies. They are further trained with support from other members of staff as they learn and get accustomed to the cleaning procedures within the nursery.

**Assessment of Risk – Personnel Protective Equipment (RA1)**

All staff have access to protective clothing including disposable aprons and gloves. These are available for staff to use and the importance of their use during day-to-day cleaning within the nursery is highly stressed to the staff by the management team. Nursery uniform is also provided to all members of staff on their induction.

**Assessment of Risk – First Aid and First Aid Supplies (RA1)**

All members of staff within the nursery are first aid trained and equipped to manage any mishaps that may happen while using the nursery's cleaning supplies. They are all well versed in the procedures and senior members of staff and management are always on hand to help with a situation that arises. All nursery first aid bags are fully stocked with the required first aid equipment and all have eye wash first aid equipment as well.

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