



HANDBOOK SEPTEMBER 23

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SITE RISK ASSESSMENT

Site: RAINTON MEADOWS WOODLAND

Completed by: C CLISH

Date completed: 13TH&14TH SEPT 2023

Hazards	Risk	Who might be harmed	Action(s)
FLORA	MEDIUM	CHILDREN PARENTS STAFF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure all participants wear protective footwear and clothing to cover arms and legs. • Ensure gloves are worn when foraging for wood etc • Teach participants about the different species that live on site.
FORNA	MEDIUM	CHILDREN PARENTS STAFF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage participants to wear an insect repellent in summer and autumn months. • Wear loose fitting trousers and tuck trousers into socks to avoid ankle bites. • Ensure first aid kit is on site and fully accessible should it be required.
DITCH/ BRIDGE	MEDIUM	CHILDREN PARENTS STAFF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set activities back from the ditch • Ensure parents are watching children at all times. • Highlight the ditch to participants regularly to ensure they are mindful.
HANGING BRACHES	LOW	CHILDREN PARENTS STAFF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff member to lead the group through dense areas • Remind participants to watch carefully for hazards to the eye • Remove or redirect any loose branches/vines.
BOUNDARY	LOW	CHILDREN PARENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure gate is closed when participants enter the woodland area • Establish a boundary at the start of each session with a visible object in the centre • Ensure parents do not let children out of site.
TRIPS/ SLIPS	MEDIUM	CHILDREN PARENTS STAFF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask participants to clear tripping hazards as part of a physical task. • Encourage participants to ensure shoes are tied correctly. • Ensure first aid kit is on site and fully stocked to treat trips where necessary.
UN- NATURAL OBJECTS/ LITTER	LOW	CHILDREN PARENTS STAFF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff and parents to keep watch for litter and report anything unusual before and during the session. • Instruct participants not to touch anything they do not recognise. • Dispose of rubbish safely with gloves.
<p>Supporting notes: C Clish will arrive on site 15 minutes before participants arrive and ensure there have been no major changes to the site that would require new actions to be put in place.</p>			

Activity: OBSTACLE COURSE

Completed by: C CLISH

Date completed: SEPT 23

Benefits: This activity has lots of physical benefits as it allows the children to be physical in lots of different ways, it also encourages vocab as the move over and under, up and down, side to side, around, jump, hop etc.
This activity also encourages development of emotions such as confidence, resilience and self-satisfaction as they complete the obstacle course and then continue to improve and perfect the course.

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Activity: COLLECTING MATERIALS

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Benefits: COLLECTING MATERIALS ALLOWS CHILDREN TO EXPLORE WITH A SENSE OF PURPOSE – IT INVOLVES PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, PROBLEM SOLVING, AND TEAMWORK. IT GIVES CHILDREN A SENSE OF SATISFACTION AND A CENTRED TOPIC TO DISCUSS WITH THE CLASS LEADER, PARTICIPANTS OR A PARENT AFTER COLLECTING IS COMPLETE. CHILDREN OFTEN GO ONTO BUILD, SORT OR CREATE SOMETHING WITH THE MATERIALS AFTER COLLECTION. THIS GIVES THE ACTIVITY PURPOSE BUT ALSO ALLOWS FOR INDEPENDENT OPEN-ENDED PLAY.

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Policy Number:	CA02011882
Name of Policyholder:	Playdates CIC
Date of commencement of insurance:	23 rd August 2023
Date of expiry of insurance:	22 nd August 2024
Limit of Public Liability:	£5,000,000

Signed on behalf of Covéa Insurance (Authorised Insurer)

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Furness".

Chief Executive Officer

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