



Health and Safety Policy of Grace Park Montessori

Policy Statement

Grace Park Montessori Pre-School is committed to ensuring the health, safety and well-being of all who attend the service and procedures and practices are in place to ensure that we provide a safe place for children, staff, parents and visitors to be.

Principle

This policy is underwritten by the *Child Care Act 1991 (Early Years Services) Regulations 2016* and the *Health, Safety and Welfare at Work Act, 2005*.

Rationale

It is the policy of Grace Park Montessori to do as much as possible to ensure that safety is ensured at all times. To that end, Grace Park Montessori has undertaken the following **preventative measures**:

Entrance

- The entrance to the building is locked and secure at all times
- To gain access to the building, the bell must be rung and a staff member will open the door

Outdoor Area

- The outdoor area is safe and secure with fencing.
- A staff member will check the outdoor area each morning to ensure there are no hazards present
- The adult: child ratio will be maintained at all times in the outdoor area
- Staff will be on hand to help children manage any challenging play
- Permission will be sought by all parents/ guardians before an outing date
- A mobile phone and all appropriate record keeping will be brought on the outing including a first aid kit.

Safety Statement

- In accordance with the Health, Safety and Welfare at Work Act 2005 procedures to ensure safety have been developed
- Risk assessments will be carried out on a regular basis and when new equipment or work practices are introduced

Signed by: _____

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