COUNTESS GYTHA

PRESCHOOL

Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH)

- Staff at Countess Gytha Preschool implement the current guidelines of the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulations.
- Personal protective equipment (PPE), such as rubber gloves, latex free/vinyl gloves, aprons etc. is available to all staff as needed and stocks are replenished regularly.
- Hazardous substances are stored safely away from the children.
- Chemicals used in the setting should be kept to the minimum to ensure health and hygiene is maintained.
- Risk assessment is done for all chemicals used in the setting.
- Environmental factors are considered when purchasing, using, and disposing of chemicals.
- All staff members are vigilant and use chemicals safely.
- Bleach is not used in the setting.
- Antibacterial soap/handwash is not normally used, unless specifically advised during an infection outbreak such as Pandemic flu or Coronavirus.
- Antibacterial cleaning agents are restricted to toilets, nappy changing areas and food preparation areas and are not used when children are nearby.
- Members of staff wear suitable rubber gloves when using cleaning chemicals.

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