



Sand & Water Play Policy:

Sand

Children also have regular access to sand play. Younger children are supervised at all times to prevent them from eating the sand. Older children are encouraged to use sand appropriately as part of their learning and development.

Indoor sand pits are covered with tight fitting lids when not in use. Outdoor sand pits are covered with heavy duty tarpaulins to prevent cats from using them.

Sand is checked and replaced regularly with sand which is appropriate for children to play with. Any sand which is on the floor is disposed of in the rubbish bin.

Sand is cleaned once every six weeks. The sand tray is filled with water and sterilising tablets which are left overnight. The following day the sterilised solution is emptied and the tray is rinsed through with clean water, before being filled with sand once dry.

Water

Children have regular access to water play and activities are supervised by at least one practitioner at all times. Children are encouraged to wear aprons and spillages are cleared away immediately.

Water trays are filled at the beginning of each day and are covered with tight fitting lids when not in use. Trays are emptied completely at the end of each day.