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## **MEDICAL EMERGENCY POLICY**

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In the event of a medical emergency, the nursery will make every effort to contact the child's parents on the contact numbers you have provided. If for some reason this is not possible and medical attention is urgently needed, a member of staff will accompany your child to the hospital by taxi, company vehicle or ambulance. We would then remain with your child until you can be contacted to meet us there. It is important if your child has received any medication within 24 hours of attending nursery, you inform us, this will allow us to let any medical professionals know to prevent any possible overdose of medication.

We recognise that to meet the children's play needs we must provide a safe, secure, and well-maintained environment. A child may not have had previous experiences of exploring the environment, which is a vital part of their learning curve. Therefore, small children often incur bumps and grazes in the normal course of play and these accidents are recorded in the accident file at the nursery, together with the treatment given, the time the accident occurred and the member of staff who dealt with the incident. Parents are asked to sign the accident form to clarify that they know the accident occurred and the treatment given. By the same token, it is important if parents can draw our attention to any accidents which happen at home; so that we are aware of the situation should there be any problems, which occur during the nursery day because of that accident. We are required to make a record of these incidents, under the child protection guidelines.