

# Supervision of Children

EYFS: 3.28

At Wirral Montessori, we aim to protect and support the welfare of the children in our care at all times. The nursery manager is responsible for all staff, and relief staff receiving information on health and safety policies and procedures in the nursery in order to supervise the children in their care suitably.

## Supervision

We ensure that children are supervised adequately at all times, whether children are in or out of the building through:

- Making sure that every child is always within the sight and/or hearing of a suitably vetted member of staff. Monitoring staff deployment across the setting regularly to ensure children's needs are met
- Ensuring children are fully supervised at all times when using water play
- Taking special care when children are using large apparatus e.g. a climbing frame, and when walking up or down steps/stairs, including having one member of staff supervising large outdoor play equipment at all times
- Making sure staff recognise and are aware of any dangers relating to bushes, shrubs and plants when on visits/outdoors
- Supervising children at all times when eating
- Supervising children carefully when using scissors or tools, including using knives in cooking activities
- Increasing staff: child ratios during outings to ensure supervision and safety (please refer to Outings policy)

**This policy is reviewed on an annual basis in consultation with staff.**