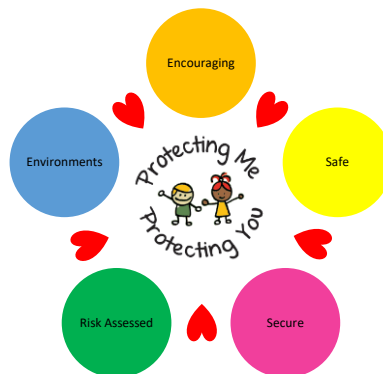




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Nursery Activities:
Fire Pit / BBQ

Activity	Hazards	Potential Loss	Risk	Person at Risk	Control Measures	Additional Measures
Setting up fire pit/BBQ	Burns Smoke inhalation Unstable equipment	Serious Injury	3 (1x3)	Staff	Only trained staff to set up Fire pit placed on stable, non-flammable ground Area checked for trip hazards	Regular equipment inspection
Lighting the fire of BBQ	Burns Uncontrolled flame	Serious injury	3 (1x3)	Staff	Only designated staff to light fire using approved methods Bucket of water or fire extinguished close by	Ongoing monitoring Wind direction checked before lighting
Children around fire pit/BBQ	Burns Smoke inhalation	Serious injury	3 (1x3)	Children	Clear boundary marked Children seated/standing at a safe distance	Continuous supervision and reinforcement of safety rules



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					Safety talk before activity Smaller ratio	
Cooking food on BBQ	Burns Food hygiene	Injury Illness	2 (1x2)	Children Staff	Staff only handle food using utensils Long handled tools used Ensure meat cooked thoroughly Food kept covered before cooking	Temperature probes used Hygiene standards followed
Hot surfaces after activity	Residual heat causing burns	Minor burns	2 (1x2)	Staff Children	Fire fully extinguished with water Area cordoned off until cold Staff check before clearing up	Ongoing monitoring until cold
Clothing catching fire	Burns	Serious injury	3 (1x3)	Children Staff	No loose clothing Hair tied back Children remain within boundary Safety equipment on hand	Review fire safety procedures regularly
Smoke exposure	Eye irritation Breathing difficulty	Illness	1 (1x1)	Children Staff	Position children upwind Limit exposure time	Staff to monitor and move children if needed
Allergies or food intolerances	Allergic reaction	Illness	2 (1x2)	Children	Check dietary/allergy list prior to BBQ	Awareness for all staff

					Use separate utensils for allergens	
Embers/Sparks	Burns Ignition of nearby materials	Minor to serious	2 (1x2)	Children Staff	Maintain clear zone around fire Only dry wood to be used No flammable items nearby	Water bucket/fire extinguisher kept within reach
Weather conditions	Wind spreading flames/smoke	Fire spread	3 (1x3)	Children Staff	Cancel if high winds or unsuitable weather Fire supervised at all times	Daily weather check before lighting fire pit/bbq

	Likelihood that hazardous events will occur		Consequences	Risk rating	Action
1	very unlikely	1	insignificant – no injury	20-25	Stop – stop activity and take immediate action
2	unlikely	2	minor – minor injuries needing first aid	15-16	Urgent action – take immediate action and stop activity if necessary, maintain existing controls rigorously
3	fairly likely	3	moderate – up to three days absence	8-12	Action – improve within specified timescale
4	likely	4	major – more than seven days absence	3-6	Monitor – look to improve at next review or if there is a significant change
5	Very likely	5	catastrophic - death	1-2	No action – no further action but ensure controls are maintained and reviewed