

Play Risk Assessment

Using rope and string

Hazard	Harm	At risk	Existing measures / new measures	Who will do it? When?
String	Rope burns to hands	Children	Use climbing rope for swings and den building as it is less likely to cause harm.	All staff - continuous
Rope	Wrapped round neck		Adult supervision for children using string for tying knots.	

Collecting natural materials

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Berries Plants Stones	Poisoning Choking Stings	Children	Supervision of children's play. Advise children of plants that sting. Children to wear protective/ covering clothing and footwear. Instruct children not to pick berries or eat anything without first checking with an adult. Encourage all children not to put things into mouth and supervise those who may be prone to it.	All staff - continuous

Playing with sticks

Hazard	Harm	At risk	Existing measures / new measures	Who will do it? When?
Long sticks	Harm/ injury from others with sticks	All	Children are asked to measure the stick by putting it under their arm pit, if it is longer than their arm they can't <u>play</u> with it. Sticks can be snapped to make them the right length. Sticks must be the same length or shorter than their arm. For activities such as <u>den building</u> , longer sticks and branches can be used. When moving larger branches they must be dragged along the ground behind the child.	All staff - continuous

Den Building

Hazard	Harm	At risk	Existing measures / new measures	Who will do it? When?
Long sticks/ branches Falling branches	Being hit by branches Falling branches	All	Den building is supervised by adults to ensure it is a reasonably safe den that is being constructed. Larger branches that may fall dangerously must be removed. Larger branches must be dragged along the floor behind children till they reach the den.	All staff - continuous