

Policy Statement

We aim to provide an environment where parents, Staff and children feel safe, secure and relaxed. Encouraging co-operation and positive interaction between all persons using the play space. Rules will be clearly established based on safety, respect for others, and consideration for other activities being offered, creating an environment for fun and relaxation. Positive behaviour will be encouraged and self-discipline skills developed through positive example and direction.

Considerations

- ✓ Education and Care Services National Law 2010
- ✓ Education and Care Services National Regulations 2018
- ✓ Education and Care Services National Quality Standards 2018
- ✓ My Time Our Place
- ✓ United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Article 31 the Child's right to play
- ✓ Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998
- ✓ Activity Centres Incorporated Policies and Procedures

Procedures

- The Service is a place for children to enjoy the wheeled toys they have already learnt to use; it is not a place to learn to ride. Children who display poor balance or are unable to use their wheeled toy in a safe manner must not bring them to the Service.
- Wheeled toys such as bikes, scooters, rollerblades etc. may be brought to the Service during vacation care as directed on the vacation care booking form for wheeled toy day.
- The Service does not supply wheeled toys, they must be brought from home and must be in good mechanical order and be safe to ride. If Staff feel that the wheeled toy is unsafe or not in proper working order the child will not be able to use it at the Service.
- An approved safety helmet (supplied by the parent) must be worn at all times with all wheeled toys.
- Children must have safe enclosed shoes such as joggers if they wish to ride any wheeled toy at the Service.
- Children are not to share their wheeled toys with anyone other than siblings, and must not ride another child's wheeled toy.
- Children are to ride their wheeled toys in the designated riding area only and must obey safety rules at all times. Failure to do so will result in confiscation and the parent will be asked to not bring the wheeled toys back to the Service.
- Children who display unacceptable behaviour whilst riding will have the toy confiscated and the parent asked not to bring the wheeled toy back to the Service.
- Tricks on wheeled toys will not be permitted.
- All wheeled toys must be taken home at the end of the day, wheeled toys will not be stored at the Service overnight.
- Personal Safety Equipment- knee, elbow and wrist guards are designed to protect the vulnerable parts of the body during a fall. Personal safety equipment are particularly important for riders of skateboards, rollerblades and scooters.
- Wheeled toys are only to be brought to the Service on designated days in vacation care- as outlined in the Family Information handout.

Checklist for Staff

- ☑ Ensure all children with wheeled toys have closed in shoes and helmets.
- ☑ Ensure children have personal safety equipment when riding scooters, skateboards or rollerblades.
- ☑ Wheeled toys that appear damaged or unsafe need to be confiscated.
- ☑ Children are only to share with siblings.
- ☑ Children are to ride in the designated area only.
- ☑ Children who are unable to follow the rules will have their toy confiscated.
- ☑ Children who display poor balance, are unable to ride, or are riding in a dangerous manner will have their toy confiscated.

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Wheeled Toy Policy

Bicycles, rollerblades, scooters, skateboards etc

Policy is only endorsed if initialled by 2 members of the management committee

Endorsed by the Management Committee on the 27TH March 2019

Wheeled Toy Policy is to be reviewed by the 27th March 2024