



Messy play Risk Assessment

Toongabbie West Activity Centre

Identified Hazard -

- Scissors
- Sharp objects (pins, sticky tape dispenser, etc)
- Hot glue gun & gun
- Swallowable items
- Toxic products
- Sticky items (slime, glue, etc)

Risk Rating Key

- !!** Very High
- !** High Risk
- #** Medium Risk
- *** Low Risk

Risk	Control Measures	Who	When
<p># Cut from scissors, sticky tape dispenser or other sharp objects</p> <p># Burn from hot glue gun or glue</p> <p># Choking from swallowing hama beads or other small resources</p>	<p><u>Staff will be required to read the risk assessment and management plan along with the staff WWCC documents provided by organisation 'Explore and Learn'.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Programmed craft activities are carried out by an educator who supervises, provides the children with instructions and guidance throughout the activity. - Educator chooses an area suitable and away from traffic flow or distractions. - Centre has a variety of children safety scissors which have rounded tips and shorter for their smaller hands. - Educator to check if children are using the scissors in the correct way and if not to guide the children about the correct use of scissors. - Educator to remind children to be sitting down when using scissors. - Children should not walk around with scissors. If needed to be taken to another area, children are to be reminded to walk holding the pointed edge in their hand. - Educator to use the hot glue gun. Glue gun should be setup in a place next to the educator so that children cannot get access to or touch the gun. If the educator needs to leave the area, they are to unplug and remove the hot glue gun from the area. - Hot glue gun should be used in a low traffic area, (eg – in a quiet corner) - Older/responsible children who can use the hot glue gun safely can be allowed to use the gun under staff supervision. - Access to cold running water in case of a burn. 	<p>All educators</p>	<p>Immediately / as soon as possible</p>

<p>*Skin reaction from paint or other supplies</p> <p>*Sticky items cause skin issues</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – First aid kit located in main room which has burn aid supplies. – When craft activities include small resources such as hama beads, sequence, beads, etc children to be reminded that craft objects are not to be put in their mouth. – The centre purchases and uses child friendly, non-toxic paints, markers, glue, etc. – The centre has the safety data sheets for each craft/art resources we use which are current and in date. – All children and staff should wear appropriate clothing (eg – paint smock/shirt, enclosed shoes, etc). – Educators supervise during the use of sticky items such as slime, playdough, PVA glue, etc and provide the children with safety instructions before handling. – Educators who have current First Aid Certificates are on site for each session. 	<p>All educators</p>	<p>Immediately / as soon as possible</p>
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