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| **Activity: ORIENTEERING** | | | | | | | | **Location and Grid reference:**  **Cock Cabin woods, W13, 35684240** | | | | | |
| **Assessor’s Name: Clare Thompson** | | | | | | | | **Nearest Hospital: Chorley** | | | | | |
| **Assessment Date: 16/01/2025** | | | | | | | | **Next Assessment Date: 16/01/2026** | | | | | |
| **Description of specific activity** | **Inherent Risk analysis level**  **Probability (1-5) x severity (1-5) = Level**  **P x S = L (Max 25)** | | | | | | **(Level of over 10 requires remedial action.)** | | **New risk; PxS=L** | | | | |
| **Who is at risk?** | **Hazards** | | P | S | | L | **Action Taken/required to remove hazard, and/or reduce risk.** | | | P | S | L | |
| TRUST STAFF | Staff should be confident in the use of natural and other materials. |  | | | | | Staff receives instruction in the activity and possible pitfalls. Teachers read all information sent to them. | | |  | | | |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children/ Public | SLIPS/TRIPS/ FALLS - Bruises, sprains, minor cuts and grazes | 3 | | 3 | | 9 | Children instructed not to run on site.  Remind children where there is particular risk e.g. lots of tree roots, moss, wet leaves. | | | 2 | 3 | 6 | |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children | USE OF EQUIPMENT - Misuse can lead to a variety of minor injuries. | 2 | | 3 | | 6 | Safety talk before taken to the activity area. Maintain ratio of 1 adult to 10 children. | | | 1 | 3 | 3 | |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children/ Public | Following orienteering maps, instructions - Not following instructions, group getting lost on the park. | 4 | | 2 | | 8 | Instructions given before leaving centre. A member of school staff responsible for each group. Trust staff on standby to help with any incident. Give plenty of instruction to get groups onto the trail.  Provide CVP Office phone number | | | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers | SUPERVISION - Wandering off.  Crossing Lanes / Traffic  Passing by water, children will be near the lake and ponds and cross the river. | 2 | | 4 | | 8 | Maintain a minimum ratio of 1 adult to 10 children. Adults to be vigilant. Do regular headcounts. Children to be insight of adult (face clearly seen).  Instructions given before leaving centre.  Warn children to stay away from water and that no posts are close to water’s edge. Teachers to keep children close.  Teaching staff from the school responsible for this activity not Trust staff. Trust staff on standby to help with any incident. | | | 1 | 4 | 4 | |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children | WEATHER - Wet conditions may lead to slipping on mud.  Exposure, chill, heat exhaustion, sunstroke. | 3 | | | 2 | 6 | Weather conditions checked daily.  Children to bring appropriate clothing. Children and adults made aware of hazard. | | | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children/ Public | PERSONAL ATTACK - Risk of dog attacks. | 2 | | | 5 | 10 | Don’t touch dogs. Leaders keep children in groups and don’t let them play with dogs. | | | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children | LITTER - Risk of infection eg cuts from broken glass. | 2 | | | 2 | 4 | Not to touch any litter. If they see glass, to let adult know. | | | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children | INSECT BITES OR STINGS - Risk of allergic reaction eg stings from bees | 2 | | | 5 | 10 | No touching bees and wasps. Report stings to adults. Ensure teacher has list of children’ special requirements, allergies etc. | | | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children | POISONOUS PLANTS/ FUNGI - Ingestion of inappropriate object | 2 | | | 3 | 6 | Children told not to touch/eat any plant or fungi unless instructed to do so. | | | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children | ILLNESS - Asthmatic attack, diabetic conditions, anaphylaxis | 2 | | | 3 | 6 | Schools to ensure Centre staff are aware of any existing conditions  Schools to bring all inhalers and necessary Care Plans. Any equipment is to be carried by the school staff in charge of the group. | | | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children/ Public | FIRE AT THE education Barn - Burns, smoke inhalation, nausea. | 2 | | | 4 | 8 | Centre fire procedures are outlined to all groups before visit commences. | | | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| Staff/ Volunteers/ Teachers/ Children | TOILETS - Other users, including members of the public | 1 | | | 2 | 2 | Teacher to supervise children, only allowing 4 in at a time. Made aware of ‘Stranger Danger’. Only applicable to toilets in visitor centre. See separate RA for toilets in The Barn. | | | 1 | 2 | 2 |