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Risk assessment

Curious Nature activities

The following risk assessment has been completed for the Curious Nature activities. All activities when supervised have been deemed suitable for children over the age of 5 years.

Risk identification	Who	Likelihood	Severity	Overall risk	Existing controls			
DNA extraction								
Alcohol (Vodka) Drinking it	Children participating in activity	Possible	Moderate	Medium	 - Pupils will be supervised at all times when using alcohol. - Each child provided with a small quantity of alcohol. 			
Cocktail sticks Risk of puncture injury, hand or foot	Activity leaders and children participating in the activity	Possible	Moderate	Medium	 Young children are to be supervised by an adult at all times whilst using All cocktail sticks will be stored in pots on the table tops to prevent them from falling on to the floor. Activity leaders briefed to check the floor for cocktail sticks at regular intervals. 			
Spillages Risk of slipping	Activity leaders and children participating in the activity	Possible	Moderate	Medium	- Keep area tidy. - Supervise participants at all times.			

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Sequence Bracelets	Sequence Bracelets								
Plastic beads Choking hazard	Young children	Rare	Moderate	Low	- Young children are to be supervised by an adult at all times. sticks at regular intervals.				
Plastic beads Risk of slipping	Activity leaders and children participating in the activity	Possible	Moderate	Medium	 All beads will be stored in pots on the table tops to prevent them from falling on to the floor. Activity leaders to check the floor for beads at regular intervals. Any beads spilt on the floor will be picked up immediately. 				
Scissor use Risk of cuts and injury	Young children	Rare	Moderate	Low	- Child friendly scissors will be provided for use.				
Popping Seed Pods									
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Projectiles Risk of eye injury	Activity leaders and children participating in the activity	Possible	Moderate	Medium	Children to be supervised when launching seed pods.Popping seed pods will be fired away from people.				

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Classify!							
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