

SCISSORS POLICY

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Lead Member of Staff	Principal & Head of Wellbeing

Scissors Policy (2023 - 2024)

These are the scissors that we allow at the school. Scissors must be accounted for, and appropriate supervision must be given.

Scissors other than the safety scissors in the writing and creative areas in the pre- & KG rooms must be stored away appropriately in a high-handled cupboard out of children's reach. A maximum of 2 pairs of adult scissors may be kept for practitioner use but again must be stored in the profile pods in cupboards out of children's reach.





Caterpillars and Butterflies

Scissor age – 24 months – 3 years Total Pairs in Area - 2 These plastic safety scissors are appropriate to introduce to a child under the age of 3 in a supervised activity.

Bumblebees and Ladybirds

Scissor age –3 - 4 years **Total Pairs** in Area - **4 (2 straight-edged and 2 zigzag)** These plastic safety scissors are appropriate to use with children aged 3 and 4 in a supervised activity. They do not cut clothes or hair.

For children who use scissors competently under supervision, these metal scissors may be used in an activity. Practitioners should only introduce this Age guidance over 5 years **Total Pairs** in Area - **4**. **Warning** - These scissors can cut hair and clothes

Dragonflies, Grasshoppers and Millipedes

Children in the preschool rooms will have access to plastic safety scissors independently that will not cut clothes or hair. These scissors will be accessible to children at all times in the creative and writing area.

Total Pairs in Creative Area - 4 (2 straight-edged and 2 zigzag) Total Pairs in Writing Area - 4 (2 straight-edged and 2 zigzag)