



Leigh Creek Kindergarten

Encountering a Snake Procedure

In the event of a snake being located on the Kindergarten ground the following procedure should be implemented.

The Nominated Supervisor is responsible for:

- Performing a daily check of the playground prior to the commencement of sessions
- Including snake safety education for the children as part of the regular program. Ensure children are reminded on a regular basis that if they encounter a snake, to move away quietly and report the sighting immediately to a teacher

If a snake is seen in or around the building or grounds by a staff member, parent or child they are to:

- Assume it to be venomous
- Stay calm and give the snake plenty of space
- Immediately tell any nearby people to stay well away from the snake while someone alerts the Nominated Supervisor
- All children must be kept safely away
- No adult or child should try to kill or catch the snake. The greatest risk of snake bite is from people trying to kill or handle them
- Contact the school for support (8675 2062)

In the event of a snake bite:

- Phone 000
- Reassure the patient and encourage them to remain calm
- Have the patient remain as calm as possible

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Signed (Chairperson) Date

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