

BEING SAFE

It's hard to imagine life without electricity. But, as we get more comfortable using it, we sometimes forget how dangerous it can be. Because it can be dangerous, always be careful when using electrical equipment. This will help to keep you and your family safe.

How can you stay safe around electricity?

Understand the dangers

RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK

It is important to remember how dangerous electricity is. You should always tell an adult if you see something you think is unsafe. They can check the situation for you and make sure no one gets hurt.

Remember:

- Only put one plug for an electrical appliance into a power point
- Turn the power switch off before removing a plug and pull the plug out by holding onto the plug, not the cord.
- Don't ever put any metal objects like a key or knife into the power point.
- Never stick metal objects in the toaster.
- Never put any electrical cords near water. Water is a conductor and electricity travels very fast through it.
- Keep batteries away from heaters and ovens. The heat might make them explode.
- If you see a cord with frayed ends, don't touch it and tell an adult.

First Aid

No matter how safe we are sometimes accidents will happen. If you see an accident and someone is injured:

- 1. Stay calm.
- 2. Do not touch the injured person.
- 3. Stay away from any water that may be around the injured person.
- 4. Ask or call an adult for help. If there is no adult around to help you dial 000.

