01 Health and safety procedures

**01.10 Laundry area**

* Children do not have access to laundry areas.
* Laundry areas are kept well ventilated.
* Detergents/detergent pods and cleaning materials are stored out of reach of children.
* Biological detergents are not used due to the risk of allergies.
* Buckets are provided to soak soiled bedding in suitable disinfectant solution.
* If children’s clothes are soiled, they are rinsed only if there is a suitable sluice in which to do so. They are then bagged and sent home.
* Separate baskets are provided for dirty and clean laundry.
* Members of staff wash their hands after handling dirty laundry and laundry chemicals.
* Machines are switched off from the plug after use.
* Members of staff do not leave the tumble dryers on at night or any other time when the building is vacant.