Norton Primary School

Design and Technology risk assessment: textiles.

Location of activity: classrooms

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Hazards	Potential injury	
		Control measures
Glue gun	Burns	KS1 children are to not use the glue gun.
		Pupils are taught how to use the gun safely, KS2 pupils can use the gun if supervised 1:1.
		Staff to be aware what to do if a child accidently burns themselves with the gun.
		We only use low-melt glue guns.
		Any electrical equipment should be regularly tested for electrical safety.
		When it is not in use, the glue gun must be unplugged and stored safely.
Fabric scissors	Cuts	The teacher will choose tools which are appropriate to the task and age and experience of the user.
		Pinking shears to be used to cut paper, card and thin fabric.
		Before use, staff will check the blades of scissors.
		Fabric scissors to be used on thin fabric such as cotton and felt.
		Children to be made aware that the blades are sharp and could cause a pinching cut.
		All activities using pinking shears to be supervised.
		Only round ended scissors should be used with pupils.
		Children who are likely to cause injury to themselves or others are prohibited from using scissors.
		Pupils to be taught how to carry pinking shears- blades closed and held in a gripped palm, never carried
		with blades pointing outwards.