

Risk Assessment and rules for using the Clamber stack.



What is a clamber stack?

Clamber Stacks are a mixture of rope and wood designed to replicate a natural and challenging play environment which encourage the development of balance, hand eye co-ordination, upper and lower body strength.

Conditions that the clamber stack can be used in.

The clamber stack can only be used in dry frost free conditions by up to 6 children. A member of staff must be located in Zone 4 and 5 of the playground to observe the use of this equipment.

Rules for using the clamber stack.

- 1) A member of staff in Zone 4 and 5 will be responsible for monitoring and managing appropriate use of the equipment. Children must not use the equipment without the permission of the supervising adult.
- 2) No more than 6 children can use the clamber stack at any one time. Children with permission to use the clamber stack must wear one of the PE bibs provided by the supervising member of staff. Anyone on the clamber stack without a bib will be told to come off the equipment.
- 3) Use of the clamber stack will be limited to 5 minutes per group by the supervising member of staff at busy times. The clamber stack will be timetabled for each year group.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 3	X				Reward
Year 4		X			Reward
Year 5			X		Reward
Year 6				X	Reward

- 4) Children using the clamber stack must ensure that they explore and climb safely.
 - They must not make contact with others.
 - Children must climb on and climb off.
 - Children must not jump on or off.
 - Children must ensure that their hands and feet remain in contact with the apparatus at all times.
 - Children must not hang or swing on the equipment.

- **Any risky behaviour including pushing or cutting across others will result in a child being asked to come off the apparatus and not going back on during that session.**

Induction

All supervising staff will be clear about the conditions the clamber stack can be used in, the expectations of how it will be used by the children and the rules that children must follow to use this correctly and safely.

Children will be given an induction session led and observed by a member of staff. Any child deemed to be unsafe on the equipment for any reason will be identified and parents will be contacted.

Parents/carers will be given access to this information and will have an opportunity to withdraw their consent for their child using the equipment following a conversation with a member of the Leadership and Management Team.