

## Right of the Month

October's Right of the Month is:

**Safety**



## Guidance for Staff

- The aim of the Right of the Month is to give staff a tool to reflect on children's experiences in the service
- The above is an example only, if you feel that a child has access to the Right of the Month already think of another one relevant to the child
- The Right of the Month is purely an information source to raise awareness
- Discuss any new activity that you feel may benefit a child with your PIC before planning
- If a staff member is aware that the example of the Right of the Month would cause a particular child distress – discuss with your PIC prior to any intervention

### Examples of **Safety** questions you can ask yourself:

- Is child safety and welfare paramount when I am delivering care to the children?
- Are children encouraged to reach their goals safely?
- After a thorough risk assessment are children allowed to engage in activities that would enhance their lives?

### An example of reflecting on practice

- A child started a new activity s/he previously never tried before. A risk assessment was carried out and risk was minimised as much as possible. It turned out that the child really enjoyed their new experience.
- What could we learn from reflecting on example above?