

Unsupervised fireworks displays are no laughing matter.

- Ben was looking forward to firework night too!
- All it took was a lit firework to fall over!
- Bens' clothes caught fire!
- This is the result.
- Please take care around fireworks.



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**“AS THE COLOURS ALL BURST
IN THE SKY, HIGH ABOVE
OUR CHILDREN GAZE UP
FULL OF WONDER AND LOVE.**

**BUT A FIREWORK FALLS OVER
IT SHOOTS INTO THE CROWD.
OUR BOY SCREAMS & SCREAMS.
WE REMEMBER EVERY SOUND.**

**DON'T TAKE THE RISK
CHILDREN'S SAFETY SHOULD COME FIRST.
IT COULD BE ONE OF YOURS NEXT TIME
AND NOT OURS BEING NURSED”.**

We certainly don't want to spoil the fun of properly supervised and organised fireworks displays, but there are many unorganised displays that will end up in someone getting seriously injured or killed.

Don't play fool. Play safe

Did you know:

- A sparkler burns at a temperature over 15 times the boiling point of water. Three sparklers burning together generate the same heat as a blowtorch. Sparklers alone cause more injuries than any other type of firework.
- A rocket can reach speeds of 150 miles per hour, however the shell can reach as high as 200 metres.
- Most firework related injuries happen at family or private parties and roughly half of all injuries are to children under the age of 16. The most common place for injuries from a firework is to hands, eyes and face.