



Nappy Changing Policy

Statement

No child is excluded from participating in our setting who may, for any reason, not yet be toilet trained and who may still be wearing nappies or equivalent. We work with parents towards toilet training, unless there are medical or other developmental reasons why this may not be appropriate at the time.

Our bathroom provisions and hygiene practice accommodates children who are not yet toilet trained.

We see toilet training as a self care skill that children have the opportunity to learn with the full support and non-judgemental concern of adults.

Procedures

- Key persons undertake changing young children in their key groups; backed up by another staff member if the key person is not present.
- A list of all children and their toileting stage is in the bathroom.
- Changing areas are warm and there are safe areas to lay young children if they need to have their bottoms cleaned.
- Each child brings in their own bag of nappies, wipes and disposable bags for the staff to use.
- Gloves and an apron are put on prior to changing a child.
- All staff are familiar with the hygiene procedures and carry these out when changing nappies.
- Key persons ensure that nappy changing is relaxed and is a time to promote independence in young children.
- Young children are encouraged to take an interest in using the toilet.
- They should be encouraged to wash their hands and have soap and paper towels to hand.
- Key persons are gentle when changing; they avoid pulling faces and making negative comments about 'nappy contents'.
- Older children access the toilet when they have the need to and are encouraged to be independent.
- Nappies, pull ups and wipes are disposed of hygienically in the nappy bin.

- Cloth nappies, trainer pants and ordinary pants that are soiled are bagged for the parent to take home.
- If young children are left in wet or soiled nappies/pull ups in the setting this may constitute neglect and will be a disciplinary matter. We have 'duty of care' towards children's personal needs.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of the School Governors

Held on: 25th September 2017

Signed on behalf of the Governors:

This policy is reviewed annually. The next review is November 2018 or as and when information needs to be added or amended.