

Nappy changing and toileting policy

About / 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/pull ups. We work closely with parents/carers to support toilet training, adjusting our provision to accommodate children with any additional needs or medical conditions.

We see toilet training as a self-care where children have the opportunity to learn with support from all staff members. This links to areas of the EYFS. Including;

A unique child	Positive relationships	Enabling environments
1.2 Inclusive practice 1.4 Health and well-being	2.2 Parents as partners 2.4 Staff relationships	3.2 Supporting every child

Procedure for nappy changing and toileting

- A list of children who are in nappies, are listed on the nappy changing log each day. The nappies are changed every 3-4 hours or as and when needed for individual children.
- Our nappy changing area is a calm, warm and safe area including a nappy changing table and a changing mat that are cleaned after each nappy change with anti-bacterial spray.
- We have two safe, secure bathroom areas where children can be helped with toileting and changed where necessary.
- Gloves are worn every time whilst changing nappies and changing wet/soiled clothing. Ensuring a new pair of gloves is worn for every child. All staff are aware of the hygiene procedures involved in this.
- Staff wash their hands with soap and water in between each nappy change.
- Cream is applied as and when needed when provided by the parent/carer.
- Staff ensure that nappy changing is a relaxed time where independence is promoted in the children. For example; singing nursery rhymes.
- If children are showing an interest in using the potty/toilet this is encouraged following the parent/carers lead. The children are encouraged to wash their hands after using the toilet/potty.
- Potties are cleaned with anti-bacterial spray after each use.
- Where a child is wet/soiled, two members of staff assist the child to clean themselves and change into clean clothes. This is written onto the nappy changing log and parent/carers are informed on collection.
- Where staff suspect illness/loose stools, parent/carers are contacted via phone where necessary.

Disposal of nappies / soiled clothing

- All nappies are placed in nappy sacks and then taken outside to the yellow nappy bin, using the key to open.

- Wet/soiled clothing is sent home in a separate bag for the parent/carer to wash. Clothing is not washed/rinsed on site.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of the setting on (date).....

Signed on behalf of the setting.....