

Nappy changing and intimate care

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.

We provide nappy changing facilities and exercise good hygiene practices in order to accommodate 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

Parents/carers are asked to bring a bag with spare nappies, wipes and or clothes for their child. This is to be left on the child's peg.

- Only one child is to be changed at any one time
- The staff member must wear protective apron and gloves.
- The designated changing area is in the disabled toilet, where there is a changing mat on the floor.
- Staff will always keep the door open when changing nappies.
- The dirty nappy will be put in a nappy sac along with the gloves and apron and thrown away in the designated nappy bin.
- The changing mat is to be sprayed with antibacterial spray and wiped down after each use.
- Staff members will wash hands after every nappy change.
- Staff member will use a fresh apron and gloves for each child.
- Staff member will complete the nappy changing record sheet for that child with the name of the staff member and whether the nappy was wet or soiled.
- At the end of the session the nappy bin is to be emptied into the black dustbin outside.

If a child has an accident or gets wet or dirty during play then the procedure should be as follows:

- The staff member will assist the child to find suitable clothes to change into
- The staff member will take the child to a suitable place to change ie the toilets, allowing them privacy but in view of other staff members
- The staff member must wear protective gloves.
- The staff member will encourage the child to be as independent as possible while changing,

allowing for their age and ability.

- The wet/dirty clothing should be placed in a bag to be taken home by the child.