



Nappy Changing Policy

Policy statement:

We use our changing unit in the children’s toilets for changing nappies as this is spacious and allows for privacy of the child. The room is within sight and hearing at all times in accordance with our safeguarding policy.

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. We work with parents towards toilet training, taking into account medical and developmental levels.

EYFS key themes and commitments:

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
1.2 Inclusive Practice 1.4 Health and Wellbeing	2.2 Parents as Partners 2.4 Key Person	3.2 Supporting Every Child	

Procedures:

- Key persons will ask parents how often they wish for their child’s nappy to be changed, this will be recorded on the settling in sheet. All nappy changes are recorded with name of child, name of person who changed the child and the time changed.
- Key persons undertake changing children where possible. Buddy key persons change them if the key person is absent.
- Our changing area is warm and safe we have a wall mounted changing platform, however we tend to lay children on a mat on the floor for safety reasons.
- Babies and young children are changed within sight of other staff whilst maintaining their dignity and privacy at all times.
- Parents supply their own nappies and wipes.

- Gloves are put on before changing and the areas are prepared. The changing mat is cleaned with paper towel and anti bacterial spray after each change.
- All staff are familiar with the hygiene procedures and carry these out when changing nappies.
- Key persons ensure that nappy changing is relaxed and a time to promote independence in young children.
- Children are encouraged to use the toilet if they show interest.
- Key persons are sensitive and appropriate at all times during nappy changing.
- Key persons do not make inappropriate comments about young children's genitals when changing their nappies
- Older children access the toilet when they have the need to and are encouraged to be independent. There are 3 child size basins with soap and paper towels for hand washing.
- Anti-bacterial hand wash is available at all times for the children and staff to wash their hands. Parents can notify their child's key worker or buddy of any sensitivity issues.
- Nappies and 'pull ups' are disposed of hygienically in a nappy bin.
- If a child wets or soils their clothes, staff will clean and gently change the child into dry clothes, reassuring them, to avoid embarrassment or the feeling that they have done something wrong.
- The setting has a duty of care and therefore will try to follow the child's lead in regards to their nappy and toileting needs.

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