

Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Intimate Care Policy



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EYFS INTIMATE CARE POLICY

This policy has been devised in response to the increasing number of children entering the Early Years Foundation Stage not toilet trained. It sets out the procedures we will follow when nappy changing and in the case of a child accidentally wetting or soiling him/herself. All parents are asked to provide spare clothes in a bag regardless of whether their child is toilet trained. It also states the roles and responsibilities of both the home and school and has an agreement/consent form for parents to sign.

We ask that parents make a concerted effort to toilet train their child. We are an inclusive school and do admit children who are not fully toilet trained but we feel that it benefits the child if he/she is out of nappies or at least working towards this by the time they start school.

Parents are made aware that the EYFS team is on hand to offer advice on how to toilet train and can put parents into contact with relevant support if wanted. Parents are also asked to inform us of any medical condition which requires their child to need a nappy.

Questions and Answers

- Who will change the nappy/wet/soiled clothing?
 - The EYFS staff. (Staff must tell another member of staff that they are changing a child to ensure safeguarding.)
- Where will changing take place?
 - In the Nursery/Reception toilet area, on a changing mat.
- What resources will be used?
 - A changing mat, aprons, gloves, toilet roll paper, antibacterial wipes, nappy sacks, nappies, baby wipes, cream (when specified by parent/guardian)
- How will the nappies be disposed of?
 - Put in a nappy sack and disposed of in the Tommee Tippee Sengenix nappy bin in the staff toilet.
- What infection control measures are in place?
 - Staff will wear disposable gloves and aprons while dealing with the incident.
 - Changing area will be cleaned after use.
 - Hot water and liquid soap is available to wash hands as soon as the task is completed.
 - Paper towels are available for drying hands.
- What will the staff member do if the child is unduly distressed by the

experience?

- Staff will comfort and reassure the child, talk through what they are doing and ensure the change is complete swiftly to ensure the stress is not prolonged.
- What will the staff member do if he/she notices marks or injuries on the child?
 - Follow the school safeguarding policy and report it to the DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD and the EYFS Manager.
- Will the frequency of accidents and nappy changes be monitored?
 - Each time a child's clothes or nappy is changed, a notification to the child's parents / carers will be placed onto tapestry to help identify patterns, potential infections and to aid in the partnership between parents and school to toilet train the child effectively.

THE FOLLOWING IS A COPY OF THE HOME-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

All parents are asked to provide spare clothes in a bag if their child is not toilet trained.

Parents are expected to provide a bag with a suitable amount of nappies/clothes, wipes and any cream needed.

If a child requires cream administering, the parent is expected to sign a permission form beforehand.

The Parent/Guardian:

- ✓ I agree to ensure that my child is changed at the latest possible time before being brought to the setting/school
- ✓ I agree to provide the setting/school with spare nappies, wipes and a change of clothing
- ✓ I have read the intimate care policy. I understand and agree the procedures that will be followed when my child is changed at school
- ✓ I agree to inform the setting/school should the child have any marks/rash

The school:

- ✓ We agree to changing the child during a single session should the child soil themselves or become uncomfortably wet
- ✓ We agree to monitor the number of times the child is changed
- ✓ We agree to report should the child be distressed, or if marks/rashes are seen

SIGNED: _____

Parent/Guardian

DATE: _____

MONITORING and REVIEW

It is the responsibility of the EYFS staff to follow this policy. The Senior Leadership Team will carry out monitoring on the EYFS as part of the whole school monitoring system.

This policy will be reviewed before the start of each academic year and will evolve to incorporate the views of all staff concerned.