

**General Welfare Requirement: Safeguarding and Promoting Children’s Welfare**

The provider must promote the good health of the children, take necessary steps to prevent the spread of infection, and take appropriate action when they are ill.

**Promoting health and hygiene**

**1.16 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.

We make necessary adjustments to our bathroom provision and hygiene practice 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.

**EYFS key themes and commitments**

<b>A Unique Child</b>	<b>Positive Relationships</b>	<b>Enabling Environments</b>	<b>Learning and Development</b>
1.2 Inclusive practice 1.4 Health and well-being	2.2 Parents as partners 2.4 Key person	3.2 Supporting every child	

**Procedures**

- Key persons make a list of personalised changing times for the young children in their care who are in nappies or ‘pull-ups’.
- All staff are aware of which children are in nappies or pull ups in each session so that any which are wet/ soiled are detected straight away. List of children’s individual ability is kept in both toilets and updated by their key person as they progress.
- Parents also have a responsibility to keep their child’s Key Person up to date about changes in toileting, for example ceasing toilet training and returning to nappies, so that staff are aware of

the child's individual requirements. They should also notify staff of the time of the child's most recent nappy change at the start of the session.

- Young children from two and a half years may wear 'pull ups' or other types of trainer pants.
- Key persons undertake changing young children in their key groups; back up key persons change them if the key person is absent. Key person discretely notifies other staff before escorting a child to the toilet area to change them observing their individual need for sufficient privacy.
- Changing areas are warm and there are safe areas to lay young children if they need to have their bottoms cleaned.
- Each young child has their own changing bag with their nappies or 'pull ups' and changing wipes that they bring with them each session, which is hung on the pegs next to the changing station.
- Gloves and aprons are put on before changing starts and the areas are prepared.
- All staff are familiar with the hygiene procedures and carry these out when changing nappies.
- In addition, key persons ensure that nappy changing is relaxed and a time to promote independence in young children.
- They should be encouraged to wash their hands appropriately.
- Anti-bacterial hand wash liquid or soap should not be used for young children.
- Key persons are gentle when changing and considerate of the child's individual needs.
- The changing mat is cleaned with antibacterial cleaner both before and after each child is changed.
- After changing a child the member of staff records the relevant details on their individual intimate care form reporting any concerns to parents, on collection. For any safeguarding concerns refer to policy 1.2.
- Older children access the toilet when they have the need to and are encouraged to be independent.
- As there are no facilities on the premises for the disposal of nappies the nappy or pull up is bagged for the parent to take home. Cloth nappies, trainer pants and ordinary pants that have been wet or soiled are bagged for the parent to take home.
- NB 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. Settings have a 'duty of care' towards children's personal needs.

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Signed on behalf of the management committee		
Name of signatory	Natalie Evans	
Role of signatory (e.g. chair/owner)	Chair	

**Links to other policies and forms include:**

Promoting Health and Hygiene policies

1.9 Maintaining children's safety and security on premises

1.2 Safeguarding children and child protection