

6.4 Nappy Changing and Toilet Training

Policy statement

No child is excluded from participating in our setting who may, for any reason, not yet be toilet trained. 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 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

- If children are still in nappies or are being toilet trained, it is the parents'/carers' responsibility to provide nappies or trainer pants as appropriate and wet wipes
- Children who are currently being toilet trained must wear pull ups, or other types of trainer pants
- Changing areas are warm with safe areas to lay children
- When staff are changing nappies or supporting children with any aspect of toileting, we always keep the doors open whilst still seeking to give the child some privacy. Staff also ensure that other adults are aware of the care procedures they are undertaking
- Gloves, aprons and masks are available for staff to put on before changing starts and the areas are prepared
- The mat is disinfected after each use
- All staff are familiar with the hygiene procedures and carry these out when changing nappies
- Children are encouraged to take an interest in using the toilet; they may just want to sit on it or talk to a friend who is also using the toilet. It is a time to promote children's independence
- Children are encouraged to wash their hands, so we have soap and towels to hand. They should be allowed time for some play as they explore the water and the soap
- Staff members are gentle when changing; they avoid pulling faces and making negative comments about 'nappy contents'
- Staff members do not make inappropriate comments about children's genitals when changing their nappies
- Children access the toilet when they have the need to and are encouraged to be independent
- Pull ups/nappies are disposed of hygienically. They are bagged and put in the yellow nappy bin. Cloth trainer pants and ordinary pants that have been wet or soiled are bagged for the parent to take home
- We have a 'duty of care' towards children's personal needs. If children are knowingly left in wet or soiled pull ups in the setting this may constitute neglect and will be a disciplinary matter
- Following changing a child's nappy the member of staff concerned records the time and all relevant details on the form kept with the signing in sheets.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of	Filton Park Preschool Playgroup	<i>(name of provider)</i>
Held on		<i>(date)</i>
Date to be reviewed	Nov/Dec 2020	<i>(date)</i>
Signed on behalf of the provider		
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