



## KINDERGARTEN INTIMATE CARE POLICY

### AIMS

We aim to ensure that all children at the Kindergarten are treated respectfully and are given support with their training to use the loo and nappy changing.

### PROCEDURE

- We recognise that children develop at different rates and will work in conjunction with parents and carers to ensure all areas of the child's loo training are met
- We understand that the training process may differ from the home environment when at the Kindergarten but we will endeavour to keep it as consistent as possible
- We encourage parents/carers to put their child in pants rather than pull ups as we feel this aids the toilet training process through self-awareness.
- We ask parents/carers to provide nappies, if required, to be kept in their child's bag on their peg.
- We ask parents/carers to dress the children in appropriate clothing that allows the children to undress with ease (no dungarees or stiff belts)
- Potties can be brought from home if needed to assist with the process
- Members of staff follow the nappy changing procedure displayed in the loo area.
- Every member of staff is DBS checked so it is not a safeguarding issue being alone with one child in the loo area.
- We provide wipes, nappy sacks and a changing mat, which is wiped with disinfectant after each use
- The practitioners will treat the children respectfully at all times and will be supportive if an accident occurs. In no way will the child be made to feel embarrassed or ashamed.
- Named spare clothes should be packed in each child's bag in case of accidents
- The Kindergarten has a store of spare clothes and underwear as well as wipes and bags to put soiled clothes in for the parents/carers to take home.
- We talk to parents/carers on a regular basis to exchange information regarding their child's progress in this area
- We have an induction period at the beginning of each term to ensure all new children know where the loo area is and how to use it with growing independence
- Photos and signs encourage the children to flush the loo and wash their hands afterwards
- We regularly take the younger children to the loo and remind the older ones to go regularly
- We encourage the older children to act as role models to show the younger children how to use the loo area

- We provide a clean and welcoming loo area for the children to use, which is cleaned twice daily by the cleaner in the morning and a staff member at midday.

**See also:**      [Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy, Settling In Policy](#)

<b>This policy will be reviewed annually</b>			
Latest Review: March 2020	By:	Kathy Ballantine, Kindergarten Head	No changes
Next Review: March 2021	By:	Kathy Ballantine, Kindergarten Head	