

Nappy Changing and Toilet Training Policy

Statement of intent

The pre-school believes that it is the right of children to feel dry and free from urine or faeces on their skin. It is also believed that children should be empowered to reach independence in their toileting needs.

Aim

We aim to encourage children to gain independence in their toileting needs through a regular routine of using/sitting on the toilet/potty and changing nappies (if needed) at this same time

Method

- Nappies are checked at toilet time and are changed, if necessary.
- At any time, if a nappy becomes soiled it is changed.
- Throughout the process of nappy changing or changing soiled clothing staff will wear disposable gloves and will use standard wet wipes suitable for use on children.
- To retain their dignity children are changed in the toilet area, on a changing mat, away from other children but in sight of a second adult.
- Soiled nappies are put in a disposable nappy bag and placed in a nappy bin until the end of the session when they are placed outside in the refuse bin.
- Soiled clothing is placed in a carrier bag and put with the child's other belongings on their named peg.
- On completion of a nappy change the child and staff member wash their hands before continuing their 'work'.
- Accidents are dealt with calmly and sympathetically and in a way that does not make the child feel as if they have done wrong.
- Children are encouraged to assist in managing their own clothes during the changing process.
- Changing mats are disinfected with an anti-bacterial spray after each use.
- We ask parent/carers, whose children wear daytime nappies to provide spare nappies and cream (if required).
- Parents/carers are asked to provide a spare set of clothes for their child whilst they continue to be in nappies or are being potty trained and that these clothes are easily manageable for the child and staff.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of the Tisbury Pre-school Committee held on

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Signed..... Position

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