



Intimate Care and Nappy Changing Policy

Intimate care can be defined as tasks of an intimate nature associated with bodily functions which may require contact with or exposure of private parts of the body. In the case of this setting this would involve changing nappies, helping children with the toilet, wiping intimate parts of the children's body and changing clothes and underwear.

Aims

As a setting we aim to safeguard and promote the welfare of all the children attending our sessions.

We will treat the children in our care with privacy and dignity should they require support with intimate/personal care.

No child will be sent home or be required to wait for a parent to attend to their needs at the nursery

Procedure

All staff that are required to perform intimate/personal care will have a full and relevant DBS check.

Children will never be changed within the classroom but taken to the toilets to respect their privacy.

All staff will follow the health and safety regulations which involves wearing protective gloves/clothing when dealing with any bodily fluids.

Should a staff member be concerned about a child actions/comments whilst carrying out a personal care task, we will alert the Designated Safeguarding Leads who will follow the safeguarding procedure.

Parents will be asked to supply extra nappies (no pull-up nappies), baby wipes, nappy sacks and a change of clothes for each child attending the nursery.

The nursery will establish effective communication with the parents/carer to teach toilet training and other aspects of personal care.

Any soiled clothes will be bagged up and returned to parents who will be made aware of these when the child is collected.

Religious and cultural values will always be taken into account when dealing with intimate/personal care.

No child will be excluded from the nursery due to incontinence.

Children in nappies will be changed at least once in every session they attend.