



Woodham Mortimer Pre-School
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PROMOTING HEALTH AND HYGIENE

General Welfare Requirement: Safeguarding and Promoting Children’s Welfare

The Pre-School 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

1.17 – NAPPY CHANGING POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT

No child is excluded from participating in our pre-school 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.

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE KEY THEMES AND COMMITMENTS

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

PROCEDURES

- Children’s nappies or pull-ups are changed when they are soiled or are visibly in need of changing or if parents / carers have asked for them to be changed at a specific time
- Where children have shown an interest in toilet training, we would discuss with the child’s parents / carers the possibility of using pull-ups
- Nappies or pull-ups are either changed by the child’s Key Person or another member of staff that the child is comfortable with

- Changing areas are warm and there are safe areas to lay young children if they need to have their bottoms cleaned
- Parents should bring in a bag each day containing spare nappies, pull-up , wipes etc. however the Pre-School carries spares in case the it is not brought in
- Gloves and aprons are put on before changing starts and the areas are prepared
- The changing mat is cleaned thoroughly with antibacterial wipes after each use
- 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
- Young children are encouraged to take an interest in using the toilet; they may just want to sit on it and talk to a friend who is also using the toilet
- They should be encouraged to wash their hands and have soap and paper towels to hand. They should be allowed time for some play as they explore the water and the soap
- Anti-bacterial hand wash liquid or soap should not be used for young children
- Key Persons are gentle when changing; they avoid pulling faces and making negative comments about 'nappy contents'
- Key Persons do not make inappropriate comments about young children's genitals when changing their nappies
- Older children access the toilet when they have the need to and are encouraged to be independent
- Nappies and pull-ups are disposed of hygienically. Any soil (faeces) in nappies or pull ups is flushed down the toilet and the nappy or pull up is bagged and left outside the premises for the parent / carer to dispose of as there are no facilities for the disposal of nappies at the setting. Cloth nappies, trainer pants and ordinary pants that have been wet or soiled are rinsed and bagged for the parent to take home
- NB: If young children are left in wet or soiled nappies / 'pull ups' in the Pre-School, this may constitute neglect and will be a disciplinary matter. Pre-Schools have a 'duty of care' towards children's personal needs

This Policy was adopted at a meeting of the Woodham Mortimer Pre-School Committee

Date of Meeting _____

Next Review Date January 2011

Signed on Behalf of Woodham Mortimer Pre-School _____

Name of Signatory Kayte Terrett

Role of Signatory Chairperson – Woodham Mortimer Pre-School Committee