

**Changing/Cleaning Children**

Please remember to respect each child’s right to privacy during

Toilet/changing routines.

Thank you.

Children need changed for a wide variety of reasons – wet at the water, toilet accidents etc.

At the time for enrolment parents are asked to leave a change of clothing in their child’s nursery bag. This however doesn’t always happen. Therefore there are spare clothes available in the nursery.

If a child requires to be changed then staff could either use the children’s toilet or disabled toilet. Another staff member will be present if the disabled toilet is used. In general children who are wearing pull ups or pants would be changed within the nursery toilet standing up. Children who wear traditional nappies and require to lie down to be changed should be changes in the disabled toilet where a changing bed is in place.

If a child has soiled or requires to have his/her bottom wiped, again it is at the discretion of the staff member as to whether they require another staff member present. Should a staff member be required to wipe a child’s bottom, then the child’s Keyworker and parent should be informed. It is the responsibility of the appropriate staff member to ensure that this communication takes place.

* The child should always be reassured and comforted.
* Disposable aprons and gloves should be worn and then disposed of in yellow bags.
* Affected area(s) of playroom should be disinfected.
* Keyworker should always be informed if a child has been changed for toileting reasons.
* Nappies and soiled pants should be disposed of in a yellow bag.
* Remember to wash hands thoroughly after each change. Hands should be dried thoroughly with disposable paper towels.

For further information please refer to the Nappy Changing Facilities for Early Years and Child Care Setting August 2018 issued by the Care Commission. (Review Date 31st August, 2019)

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