

Little Explorers Nursery

Nappy changing policy

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We wish to include all children in our setting and understand that children arrive at Nursery at different stages in their development and that some children may still be in nappies or trainer pants. We work with parents towards toilet training, unless there are any medical or developmental reasons why this would be inappropriate.

Procedures

In the event of it being necessary to change a child's nappy, the following procedures will be followed.

- In order to care for the children's physical needs we ask that parents/carers:
- Make sure that wherever possible children arrive at Nursery wearing a clean nappy or trainer pants.
- Provide nappies, cream and wipes so that if it is necessary to change the child their individual needs can be met.
- Discuss any issues arising from the policy with the child's key person.

The Nursery will ensure that:

- Only a person with relevant police checks will change children's nappies or trainer pants.
- Children's nappies or pants will be changed in a private, designated area which complies with Health, Hygiene and Safety regulations, although this area is private, it is not secret and the member of staff can still be easily seen and heard by other staff members.
- The designated area/mats etc. will be cleaned before and after a child is changed with a suitable disinfectant cleaner.
- A child will never be left alone on the changing mat.
- Staff will wear clean disposable gloves for each child.
- Appropriate hand washing facilities will be available for the adult and the child and hands will be washed using bacterial soap and dried thoroughly with a paper towel after completing the procedure.
- The child's privacy will be respected at all times during nappy changing.
- If the parent/carer has any queries or concerns about this procedure they should talk to their child's key worker or any other member of staff.