



## Intimate Care Policy

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
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### Aims

No child is excluded from Two Gates EYFS who may, for any reason, not yet toilet trained and who may still be wearing nappies or equivalent. We work with parents towards toilet training, unless these 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 full support and non-judgmental concern of adults.

### Procedures

- Key persons are aware of parental requests with regard to nappy changing as all parents/carers inform the setting of their child's needs.
- Key persons undertake changing young children in their key groups; back up key person change them if key person is doing another activity.
- Changing areas are warm and there are safe areas to lay young children if they need their bottoms cleaned.
- Parents provide pull-ups or nappies in a named bag, plus a change of clothes.
- All staff are aware of hygiene procedures and carry these out when changing the children.
- Gloves are used by the adult when changing a child who has soiled.
- The Key persons ensure that nappy changing is relaxed and a time to promote independence in young children.
- Key persons are gentle when changing children and do not make negative comments.
- Young children are encouraged to take an interest in using the toilet.
- Children should be encouraged to wash their hands using the liquid soap, staff show them how to wash their hands properly, and dry them with paper towels.
- Any clothes and cloth pants are bagged for the children to take home.
- Pull-ups and disposable nappies are safely disposed of.
- Sets of spare clothes are kept for use in the Nursery setting.

**NB No young children should be left in wet or soiled nappies/pull ups in Two Gates EYFS, as this may constitute neglect and will be a disciplinary matter.**