

Promoting Health and Hygiene Nappy Changing

Unique
Child

1.2 Inclusive
Practice
1.4 Health and
Wellbeing

Positive
Relationships

2.2 Parents as
Partners
2.4 Key Person

Enabling
Environment

3.2 Support Every
Child

Learning
Development

No child is excluded from participating in Haddenham Puddleducks 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.

- Young children from two years should wear 'pull ups' or other types of trainer pants as soon as they are comfortable with this and their parents agree.
- Changing areas are warm and there are safe areas to lay young children if they need to have their bottoms cleaned.
- Each young child has their own bag to hand with their nappies or 'pull ups' and changing wipes.
- Gloves and aprons are put on before changing starts and the areas are prepared. Paper towel is put down on the changing mat freshly for each child.
- All our team 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.
- Children are encouraged to wash their hands and have soap and towels to hand. They are allowed time for some play as they explore the water and the soap.
- Key persons are gentle when changing; they avoid pulling faces and making negative comment about 'nappy contents'.
- 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 ups are bagged. Clothes, cloth nappies, trainer/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 Haddenham Puddleducks Pre-school this may constitute neglect and will be a disciplinary matter. Haddenham Puddleducks Pre-school has a 'duty of care' towards children's personal needs.

This policy was adopted at a meeting after the AGM of Haddenham Puddleducks Pre-school held in February 2020

Signed on behalf of Haddenham Puddleducks Pre-school by