

## Nappy Changing

## **Policy statement**

No child is excluded from participating in our setting, including any child who may, for whatever 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 provide nappy changing facilities and exercise good hygiene practices 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.

## **Procedures:**

- All staff are informed about children's intimate care needs.
- Nappies are changed once every 2 hours or more frequently where necessary.
- Each child has their own bag with their nappies or pull ups, changing wipes and nappy sacks.
- Our staff put on gloves and aprons before changing starts and the areas are prepared.
- The changing mat is cleaned before and after each child.
- All our staff are familiar with our hygiene procedure and carry these out when changing nappies.
- Our staff never turn their back on a child or leave them unattended whilst they are on the changing mat.
- In addition, we ensure that nappy changing is relaxed and a time to promote independence in young children.
- We encourage children to take an interest in using the toilet, even if they only just want to sit on it.
- We encourage children to wash their hands with the soap and towels to hand.
- We provide liquid soap for the children's use.
- All children access the toilet when they have the need to and are encouraged to be independent.
- All soiled nappies will be double bagged and returned for parents to take home for disposal.

## Adoption and annual review of the policy

This policy was adopted at a meeting of	Tiddlywinks Pre-School Committee
held on	22nd April 2024
Signed on behalf of the management committee	Hellen
Name of signatory	Hilary Allen
Role of signatory	Chair