



## **Triangle Pre-School** Wesley Methodist Church Hall, Fromond Road, Winchester, Hampshire, SO22 6EG Telephone 01962 880988 Registered Charity Number: 1033953

## Nappy Changing Policy

## **Policy Statement**

No child is excluded from our setting 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 of other developmental reasons why this may not be appropriate at the time.

We make necessary adjustments to our bathroom provision and hygiene practise 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:

- Young children from two years should wear 'pull ups' or other types of training pants as soon as they are comfortable with this and their parents agree.
- Key persons undertake changing children in their key group. If they are absent the "buddy" keyworker will change them.
- Gloves and aprons are put on before changing starts and areas are prepared. The changing mat is cleaned after a child has been changed.
- All staff are familiar with hygiene procedures and carry these out when changing nappies.
- Children should be encouraged to wash their hands and paper towels and soap should be at hand after nappy changing is finished and staff should model similar behaviour.
- Key people are gentle when changing. No negative comments are made about nappy contents and no comments are to be made about genitalia.
- Other 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/'pull up' is double bagged and put in the bin. Cloth nappies or ordinary pants that have been wet or soiled are rinsed and bagged for the parent to take home.
- We have a duty of care towards children's personal needs. If children are left in wet or soiled nappies/pull ups in the setting this might constitute neglect and will be a disciplinary matter.
- Anti-bacterial handwash liquid or soap should not be used for young children as young skin is quite delicate and antibacterial products kill off certain good bacteria that children need to develop their own natural resistance to infection.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Triangle PreSchool held on: 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Date to be reviewed: March 2024