



Ash Grange Nursery Intimate Care Policy

Policy Statement

This policy sets out the procedures we will follow when we nappy change and provide toilet support. It also states the roles and responsibilities of parents/carers in the home and staff in the school and has an agreement/consent form for parents to sign.

Intimate care refers to the care given when meeting a child's toileting and hygiene needs. This will range from minimal assistance to full care depending on the individual child's development.

We believe that children have the right to be treated with sensitivity and respect, and in such a way that their experience of intimate care is a positive one.

We will allow the child to care for themselves as far as they are able to, promoting their self-help skills.

Our aim is to protect the rights and well-being of the children therefore, staff who provide intimate care are trained to do so having completed Safeguarding training.

Practice

We will liaise closely with parents/carers prior to your child attending Nursery and then through regular contact to obtain information to make the process of intimate care as comfortable as possible.

Information on intimate care issues/concerns should be shared between parents/carers and a member of staff, usually the child's Key Person; who in turn will inform the Nursery 1 & 2 team who will all be involved with intimate care.

Staff complete a log entry after all nappy changes or if intimate support (wiping) is required.

We will ensure that all staff are familiar with the guidelines for avoiding infection and that they are aware of our hygiene policy and procedure.

Staff will wear aprons and gloves and any soiled waste should be either flushed down



the toilet or double bagged and placed into a clinical waste bin.

If a member of staff has any concerns about physical changes in a child's presentation e.g. marks, bruises, injuries they will immediately report and record the concern to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), Mrs Curtis or the Deputy Mrs Rumsby.

The early year's team are on hand to offer support and agency provided guidance on how to toilet train your child.

Nursery 2

Children starting in Nursery 2 are expected to be fully potty trained when they begin. We recognise that children will have occasional accidents and therefore every child needs extra clothes in school.

Until a child is toilet trained and not having daily/weekly accidents they cannot attend Nursery 2 (3-4years), they may need to be off school to enable them to undertake the toilet training process, then a reduced timetable may be agreed.

I have read and agree to the Nursery Intimate Care Policy.

Signed _____ Parent / Carer

Date _____