

General Welfare Requirement: *Safeguarding and promoting Children's Welfare*

Practitioners must promote the good health of the children, take necessary steps to prevent the spread of disease, and ensure appropriate action is taken when they are ill.

Promoting Health and Hygiene

Nappy Changing

Policy statement

Children will not be excluded from participating in our setting who may, for any reason, not yet be toilet trained and are wearing nappies or equivalent. We work with parents towards toilet training, unless there is a medical, developmental or other reason why this may not be appropriate at this time.

We will make any necessary changes required to our bathroom provision to ensure it is accessible to all and accommodates the toilet training needs of all.

We will treat toilet training as a self-care skill that children have the opportunity to learn with the full support and non-judgemental concern of adults.

EYFS key themes and commitments

A Unique Child	Positive Relationships	Enabling Environments	Learning and Development
1.1 Inclusive Practice 1.2 Health and wellbeing	2.2 Parents as Partners 2.4 Key Persons	3.2 Supporting every child	

Procedures

- Changing areas are to be warm and safe places where children can lay down to have their bottoms cleaned*
- Each child has their own area where their nappies, wipes, creams, etc. will be kept*

- *Before starting to change each child's nappy the changing area will be prepared.*
 - *A new, clean, piece of paper towel will be laid on to the changing mat.*
 - *Practitioners will put on a clean pair of disposable gloves and will then proceed with changing the nappy*
- *Nappies will be disposed of in a sanitary hygienic fashion*
- *Nappy bins will be emptied regularly to ensure a clean, healthy bathroom environment*
- *Practitioners will ensure that nappy changing is relaxed and a time to promote independence in young children.*
- *Children will be encouraged to wash their hands after using the toilet using soap and water, and using a paper towel to dry their hands.*
- *Practitioners will be gentle when changing a child's nappy and will avoid pulling faces and making funny comments about the contents of a child's nappy.*
- *Practitioners must not make comments about children's genitals when changing their nappies.*
- *Children during toilet training and once toilet trained will be given access to the toilet when needed and will be encouraged to be independent.*
- *If young children are left in a soiled nappy, in the setting this may constitute neglect, which will be a disciplinary matter. Settings have a duty of care towards children's personal needs.*
- *Staff will ensure to keep all changing room / bathroom doors open whilst changing the child and ensuring that changing rooms are not in areas where people visiting the nursery are able to walk past.*

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Little Wonders Nursery School

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Signed on behalf of the Management Committee:

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Role of Signatory: Nursery Manager