



Nappy Changing Policy

It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure their child is provided with a sufficient number of nappies and wipes for each day. The child must be in a clean, dry nappy when left in nursery care, and will leave the nursery in a clean dry nappy.

Each child's Key worker will be responsible for changing each child's nappy, and they will follow each child's individual care plan and ensure a child's nappy is changed every 3-4 hours. Any child with a soiled nappy or in need of a nappy change will be changed immediately. However, if it is the parent/carer's wishes that their child's nappy is changed more frequently it is their responsibility to inform a staff member who will then inform other staff members. The child's nappy will then be changed in accordance with that parent/carer's wishes.

Procedures for nappy changing:

- All staff will maintain each child's privacy
- During nappy changing staff will interact with the child, and if upset will reassure and comfort them. They will praise them verbally throughout nappy changing experience.
- All staff are familiar with the hygiene procedures and carry these out when changing nappies.
- Staff will wear protective gloves and aprons when changing nappies. Gloves and aprons to be disposed of after each use.
- Staff must not enter the playrooms wearing their PPE
- Nappy changing will take place throughout the session at timed intervals, also as and when required. Children will be checked periodically and changed as needed.
- All children to go home in a clean dry nappy.
- Where possible, key workers change their own key children's nappies. If this is not possible, another member of staff (with whom the child is familiar/comfortable with) will undertake this task.
- Staff are gentle when changing, they avoid pulling faces and making negative comments about nappy contents
- Staff ensure that nappy changing is relaxed and a time to promote independence in young children.
- All children are changed in the bathroom on a changing mat.
- Nappies are disposed of hygienically in the nappy bin.
- The changing mat is wiped down with Milton after each nappy change.
- Staff will wash their hands with hot, soapy water and dry on disposable towels after each nappy change.
- All nappy changes will be recorded on EyLog, and nappy chart

