

Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement: Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment

Providers must ensure there are suitable hygienic changing facilities for changing any children who are in nappies.

Rosemary Lane Nursery School



6.4 Nappy changing

Policy statement

No child is excluded from participating in our school 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 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

- Our key persons change nappies according to need.
- We encourage young children from two years onwards to normally wear trainer pants, as soon as they are comfortable with this and if their parents agree.
- All staff share the responsibility of changing children
- All young children are changed within sight of other staff whilst maintaining their dignity and privacy at all times.
- Our changing area is warm, with a safe area to lay children and no bright lights shining down in their eyes. There are objects of interest to take the child's attention.
- Each child has their own bag to hand with their nappies or pull ups and changing wipes.
- Our staff put on gloves and aprons before changing starts and the areas are prepared and cleaned. Paper towel is put down on the changing mat freshly for each child.
- All our staff are familiar with our hygiene procedures 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.

