



Potty Training Policy

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Policy statement

We believe toilet training is a self-care skill that children can learn with the full support and non-judgemental attitude of adults. No child will be potty trained until fully settled and secure within the nursery environment.

Potty training will not be introduced at Nursery until it is fully established at home and the child is using the potty or toilet confidently.

Procedures

- Children will be encouraged but not forced to use the toilet at nursery
- For hygiene reasons we will encourage the use of a toilet, but a potty will be provided if required. We ask that potties from home are not brought into the setting.
- Each child will be individually monitored and parents will be kept informed of their child's progress
- During the transitional period it is important that children self-esteem and confidence remain high.
- We ask you to ensure there are always three full sets of spare, labelled clothes in your child bag.
- We ask that children are dressed in sensible clothing easy to take off independently, avoiding dungarees belts or difficult buttons.
- Children will be reminded to go to the toilet regularly by a member of staff, and a record of positive visits will be made on Famly during the transition period.
- If a child is in underwear and has persistent accidents [three or more] in one day, we will put a pull up or nappy back on them to save further upset, anxiety and stress for the child.
- If persistent accidents continue, we may advise to delay potty training and resume at a later date
- Staff will always give positive praise and encouragement after each visit to the toilet.

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