

Home-grown in Malvern Nappy and Toilet Training Policy

We are happy to accept babies and children in nappies. We ask you to provide us with the following:

- Nappies/ Pull-ups/ training pants
- Any cream that you use on your child
- Change of clothes

We will provide a changing mat, which will be wiped over with disinfectant between each use and nappy bags for the disposal of used nappies. We also provide baby wipes for nappy changing. If it is necessary we will use disposable aprons and gloves when changing your child's nappy to reduce risk. We also use Vinyl pre-powdered disposable gloves, which are dermatologically tested and are allergy safe. However please talk to a member of staff if your child has an allergy to anything relating to our resources provided for nappy and toilet training.

We will change your child regularly and immediately if they have soiled a nappy. We believe that changing a nappy should provide lots of opportunity to communicate with your child, and as their understanding grows it should provide time to discuss basic hygiene issues, preparing them for potty training.

Only members of staff with a current DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check are able to assist children on the toilet and can change nappies. This also applies to students if they are aged 18 and over, although students must be supervised by a member of staff at all times. See our Student Policy for further reference.

When your child starts to show signs that they are becoming aware of their bodily functions we can arrange a convenient time to meet and discuss your plans on potty/toilet training your child. It is unusual for a child to be ready to be potty trained much before their second birthday and for some children it can be a lot later. Please do not be concerned if your child shows no signs of being ready yet. It is very important that we work together to potty train your child and pick a suitable time to do it, when we can both dedicate time. If we start the training and your child is not ready then we can stop and start again when they are. Some children take to potty training overnight for some it is a longer process, the most important thing is that we work together to give your child the support and reassurance they need during this period. We will provide you with daily feedback on how we are progressing with the training.

In order to help your child become independent in going on the toilet/potty we can provide the following equipment:

Potties
Toilet trainer seat
Steps for the toilet and the wash basin
Potty training colouring sheets
Books and videos on potty training

Please let us know if you wish to discuss your child's potty training.

Signed:

Date Reviewed: