



Nappy Policy

It is our policy to ensure respect for the child's dignity at all times. In the interest of the children's health and safety, a high standard of hygiene is evident at all times and for both child protection and staff protection the following procedures must be followed:

Procedures:

- ❖ Only permanent staff to be involved in nappy changing
- ❖ Each child must have their own changing bag / toiletries
- ❖ Only toiletries provided by parent / carer used on child
- ❖ Nappies are only changed on the nappy changing unit; disposable gloves are to be used.
- ❖ Nappies must be disposed of in the bin provided. The bin must be emptied on a daily basis.
- ❖ The nappy changing mat is disinfected after every use.
- ❖ Anti-bacterial soap is provided for hand washing.
- ❖ Children are never left unattended when having their nappy changed.
- ❖ If required another staff member is always available to provide assistance.
- ❖ Cleaning schedule is in place to ensure that the nappy changing area is clean and hygienic at all times.
- ❖ To ensure that nappy changing time is a pleasant experience for the child, staff members use this opportunity to interact with the child and provide one to one attention.

Nappy changing area is separate from all occupied rooms i.e. playrooms, sleeping are etc.

It is located in an area, which is provided with adequate ventilation directly to the outside air either mechanically or naturally.

Each area is provided with a wash hand basin, supplied with a constant and instantaneous supply of hot and cold running water. Hot water should not exceed a temperature of 43°C.

The wash hand basin is supplied with liquid bactericidal soap and suitable hand drying facilities e.g. disposable paper towels and a lidded bin.

The nappy changing surface itself is at a comfortable height for the user and has a smooth, easily cleanable surface with raised edges to prevent accidents.

Adopted at a meeting of Corrandulla Community Resource Centre Ltd. / Board of Directors

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Chairperson