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Principles of Intimate Care

- Each child has the right to be safe and to be treated with dignity and respect.
- Each child has the right to personal privacy and to be valued as an individual.
- Each child has the right to be involved with and express their views on their own intimate care.

We realise in Nursery School that some of our children may need changing during the course of their session in school. Members of staff involved with intimate care are sensitive to each child's individual needs.

Parents have a responsibility to advise staff of the intimate care needs of their child. Parents are asked for written consent to change their child in the case of a toileting accident. If they do not agree they will be contacted in the event of a toileting accident and asked to change the child's clothes/take the child home. If a parent is not accessible the child will be changed.

In the event of a toileting accident

- The child will be taken discreetly to the toilet area.
- The child will be helped to change into clean clothes - whilst respecting the child's privacy.
- The child's independence will be encouraged as far as possible in their intimate care.
- At no time will the child be left in full view of the other children.
- Members of staff will remain in full view of others whilst dealing with the changing.
- Students will not be left in charge of changing a child.
- All changes will be detailed on the record sheets in the bathroom and parents will be informed at home time (or sooner if necessary).