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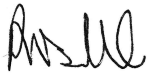
Toilet (Potty) Training

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. No child will be potty trained until fully settled and secure within the nursery environment. Children will be encouraged **not** forced.

Each child will be individually monitored and parents/carers will be informed of the child's progress. Initially your child will slowly be encouraged to use the toilet/potty at home. If your child successfully uses the toilet on a regular basis and is beginning to understand when they feel they need to go, only then should parents request potty training to begin at nursery.

- During the transitional period, it is paramount that each child's self - esteem and confidence remains high.
- A record of each nappy change will continue to be logged in each room and on the EyLog app. A record of their potty/toilet trips will also be kept as part of the 'daily diary' .
- Children training will be gently encouraged to sit on the toilet/potty every time they are changed.
- Once they are ready, children will transfer from nappies to underwear, (no underwear or pull-ups if necessary) and be escorted to the toilet regularly.
- We ask parents/carers to ensure there are always 3 full sets of spare, labeled clothes in the child's bag in case the child needs to be changed on more than one occasion.
- Parents will be asked to dress their children in sensible clothing, easy to take on and off independently, no dungarees, belts or tricky buttons.
- Children will be reminded to go to the toilet every 20-30 minutes by a member of staff throughout the day.
- Accidents will be dealt with sensitively, although children will be encouraged to undress and redress themselves, staff will be there to offer support and offer reassurance.
- If the child is in underwear and has persistent accidents (3 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 will advise that you may need to delay potty training for a short while and resume at a later date.
- Staff will always give positive praise and encouragement after each visit to the toilet, reward charts may also be used.

We will work with you to make the potty training a successful experience.

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