



Staynor Hall

INFORMATION



Toileting and Intimate Care Policy 2016-2017 for Children in Tiny Steps

All children at Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy have the right to be safe and treated with dignity, respect and privacy at all times so as to enable them to access all aspects of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

The policy sets out clear principles and guidelines on supporting intimate care with specific reference to toileting. It should be considered in line with our Safeguarding Policy, Health and Safety Policies and Administering of Medicines Policy.

This policy supports the safeguarding and welfare requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage (2014) and the Disability Discrimination Act 2005.

Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy will ensure that:

- No child's physical, mental or sensory impairment will have an adverse effect on their ability to take part in day to day activities.
- No child with a named condition that affects personal development will be discriminated against.
- No child who is delayed in achieving continence will be refused admission.
- No child will be sent home or have to wait for their parents/carer due to incontinence.
- Adjustments will be made for any child who has delayed incontinence.

Intimate Care Tasks- Cover any tasks that involves the dressing and undressing, washing including intimate parts, helping someone use the toilet, changing nappies or carrying out a procedure that requires direct or indirect contact to an intimate personal area.

Partnership with Parents/Carers:

Staff at Staynor Hall Community Primary Academy will work in partnership with parents/carers to provide care appropriate to the needs of the individual child and together will produce a care plan.

The care plan will set out:

- What care is required
- Number of staff needed to carry out the task (if more than one person is required, reason will be documented)
- Additional equipment required
- Child's preferred means of communication (e.g. visual, verbal). Agree terminology for parts of the body and bodily functions.
- Child' level of ability i.e. what tasks they are able to do by themselves
- Acknowledge and respect for any cultural or religious sensitivities related to aspects of intimate care
- Be regularly monitored and reviewed in accordance with the child's development

Parents/Carers are asked to supply the following:

- Spare nappies
- Wipes and creams
- Spare clothes
- Spare underwear

Best Practice-When intimate care is given, the member of will staff will fully explain each task that is carried out, and the reason for it. Staff will encourage children to do as much for themselves as they can and provide lots of praise and encouragement so that the child is able to achieve.

All staff working in early years settings will have a DBS check.

Particular staff members are identified to change a child with known needs and they will plan and record their work with that child.

Safeguarding-Staff are trained on the signs and symptoms of child abuse which is in line with North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children's Board guidelines and are aware of the DFESS booklet 'What to do if you think a child is being abused.' They will follow the guidelines given.

If a member of staff is concerned about any physical or emotional changes, such as marks, bruises, soreness, distress etc they will inform the Safeguarding Designated Officer (SDO) immediately. The Safeguarding Policy will then be implemented.

Should a child become unhappy about being cared for by a particular member of staff, the SDO/Manager/Key person will look into the situation and record any findings. These will be discussed with the child's parents/carers in order to resolve the problem. If necessary the SDO/Manager/Key person will seek advice from other agencies.

If a child makes an allegation against a member of staff, the procedures set out in the Safeguarding Policy will be followed.

Dealing with bodily fluids- Urines, faeces, blood and vomit will be cleaned up immediately and disposed of safely by:

- Nappies-doubled wrapped and placed in the hygienic disposal unit.
- Vomit and blood will be cleaned ASAP using antibacterial wipes and spray.
- The child will be cleaned using warm water and liquid soap.

When dealing with body fluids, staff will wear protective clothing (disposal plastic gloves and aprons) and wash themselves thoroughly afterwards. Soiled children's clothing will be bagged to go home, staff will not rinse it. Children will be kept away from the affected area until the incident has been completely dealt with.

All staff maintain high standards of personal hygiene, and will take all practical steps to prevent and control the spread of infection.

This policy aims to manage risks associated with toileting and intimate care needs and ensures that employees do not work outside the remit of their responsibilities set out in this policy.