



Hygiene

Statement of Intent:

Good standards of hygiene should be applied and maintained across the setting. Primarily this is to protect children, staff and visitors from the risk of cross infection.

Aim:

- To prevent the risk of cross infection

Procedures:

- Gloves and aprons should be worn when changing nappies. Gloves will be worn when cleaning bathrooms, toileting children, carrying out first aid, cleaning up any bodily fluids and when applying medicines such as teething gel, eczema cream.
- Hands should be washed and dried when preparing food or bottles, eating, toileting a child, changing nappies, after using the toilet and after cleaning up any bodily fluids.
- Any child or adult that has skin that is broken, bleeding or weeping should have an appropriate dressing applied.
- Separate mops and buckets are labelled for general use, bathrooms and kitchen and laundry areas follow the colour scheme below.
- Incidents involving bodily fluids should be cleaned up immediately by wearing gloves and using paper towels and diluted disinfectant (follow manufactures guidelines).
- Soiled Nappies, and other waste that has come into contact with bodily fluids should be wrapped in a plastic bag and disposed of in the yellow sacks, separate from 'domestic waste'
- Nappy changes must be recorded for all children aged 0-5 years
- Each room is responsible for cleaning its equipment, toys, furniture and soft furnishings on a regular basis. The health and safety coordinator is responsible for monitoring this and issuing charts for tracking what has been cleaned.
- Cleaning cloths are colour coded to prevent cross contamination:

Blue	Tables, snack area and kitchen
Red	Toilet area
Green	Floors and units

Links to:

- Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage (2017) DfE
'Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment'