

Intimate Care Policy

At Busy Otters, we are committed to ensuring all staff responsible for the intimate care of children undertake their duties in a professional manner at all times. We recognise that there is a need to treat all children with respect when intimate care is given. No child should be attended to in a way that causes distress, embarrassment or pain. The child's welfare and dignity is of paramount importance always.

Staff who provide intimate care are trained to do so (including child protection/safeguarding and DBS)

We make sure correct procedures are followed and correct staff ratios are maintained

Given the child's age and abilities staff will encourage each child to do as much for him/herself as he/she can

Each child's right to privacy will be respected

Intimate care arrangements will be discussed with the parent/carers on a regular basis.

We will ask all parent/carers to discuss and sign the intimate care permission statement.

We will provide appropriate equipment i.e.; aprons, gloves and provide spare clothes age and gender appropriate.

Potty Training

When the time comes we will support you and your child the best we can with potty training. Young children will be encouraged to take an interest in using the toilet, they may just want to sit on it and talk to a friend who is also using the toilet. All staff are gentle and caring when changing children and all nappies and pull-ups are disposed of hygienically. Parents are required to provide nappies and wet wipes for their children to use at Pre-School.