



Changing Wet or Soiled Children Policy

- When children soil their pants parents will be called to help clean the child if the child is unable to cope.
- Staff will act in 'loco parents' at all times and will exercise judgment as any parent would in respect to the wellbeing of their child. If an unusual situation arises then the staff member will act in accordance with that proviso and they will record in writing the reason for action, what was carried out, and the consequences. All written reports will be held by the Principal.
- If a child regularly requires direct supervision or assistance for toileting and/or changing soiled clothing a detailed written individual plan to provide the best possible supervision must be developed. Any such plan must be agreed (and signed) by all adult parties.

The Plan must address:

- Where the child will be changed.
- Visibility in the toileting/changing area – to ensure adequate general supervision of the area.
- How privacy issues for the child will be balanced with the need for supervision by staff.
- Protective gloves **must** be worn.
- Children requiring toileting assistance will receive assistance from approved persons only.