



# Oscar Bears' Day Care

## Cross infection/contamination Policy and Procedure

### Introduction

In order to prevent the spread of germs within the nursery the following procedures must always be adhered to.

### Cleaning

- All plates and cutlery must be washed in the dishwasher when appropriate.
- Disposable red cloths must be used to clean the bathroom.
- Green cloths must be used to clean the children's play areas. Blue cloths must be used to clean the kitchen areas.
- There are two mop buckets and mops available. They are colour coded as above for the different areas of the nursery.

### Toys

- Toys are cleaned on a regular basis and this is documented on a toy cleaning Rota.
- Toys are cleaned with a sterilising solution and antibac spray.
- Soft toys are put through the washing machine.
- Staff apply a clean as you go philosophy to all teething toys/toys children put in their mouth.

### Bedding

- Bedding is changed before each child uses the cot.
- Children have their own bedding bags which contains their bedding (provided by nursery).
- Bedding is washed as and when required.
- Spare bedding is washed after each use.

### Washing

- The following items will need to be washed, flannels, bedding, bibs.
- They must be rinsed from food etc and placed into the washing machine.
- The washing machine can be found in the adult bathroom to which no children have access.

### Personal hygiene

- Alcohol rub/Hand sanitizer is provided for the use of staff, parents, visitors and children to clean their hands.
- Washing hands with soap and water is always preferential.
- Paper towels/blue centrefeed roll are provided for drying hands and must be placed in a bin when finished with.



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- Children are encouraged to wash their hands after toileting, prior to mealtimes and after garden time.
- In addition to above staff must also wash their hands after changing a child's nappy and wiping a dirty nose.
- Noses are wiped upon discovery; children are encouraged to wipe their own noses if age and stage appropriate.
- Dirty tissues will be placed straight in the bin.
- Staff will use a clean flannel or baby wipes to clean a child's face straight after mealtimes. Staff will use a clean flannel for each child and then place straight in the washing machine to be washed.

## Nappy changes

- Staff will wear new gloves (if needed) for each nappy change; the gloves will be disposed of in the Sani bin after use. If gloves are not needed, then appropriate hand washing routine must take place.
- Disposable aprons are available for use by staff during nappy change routine.
- Wet nappies will be placed in the Sani bin.
- Dirty nappies will be placed in a nappy bag and then in the Sani bin.
- Staff will wipe down the change mat when finished with an anti-bacterial spray and paper towel. The paper towel will be placed in the bin.
- Staff will wash their hands or use alcohol rub on completing a nappy change.
- Staff will encourage the child to also wash their hands when age and stage appropriate.
- The Sani bin will be removed and placed in a designated outside bin for collection at least once a day.

## Potties

- Potties will be thoroughly washed and dried using paper towel and antibacterial cleaning solution between each child using the potty.
- The paper towel will be placed in the Sani bin.

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