

# Continence Policy

# Strathburn Nursery



Every child has the legal right to education regardless of whether or not they are fully continent.

Any child, not yet continent, attending Strathburn School Nursery will be supported by staff in progressing towards being as fully independent as is appropriate for their age and developmental stage.

This will be carried out in partnership with parents/carers so that the health and safety needs of the child are met and the dignity of the child is respected. A mutual agreement of action will be drawn up, signed and reviewed regularly.

It should not be the expectation of parents that the Nursery staff will toilet train children. This is a parental responsibility, which is fully supported by Nursery staff.

### Responsibilities:

#### Nursery staff will:

- Change a child if wet or soiled using barrier nursery techniques; this mainly involves using an apron and disposable rubber gloves when changing.
- The member of staff who is changing a child will be witnessed by another member of staff during the change
- All wet and soiled garment will be double bagged to avoid cross contamination.
- Parents/carers will be informed of all continence incidents in school.
- Will work in conjunction with parents, and where appropriate the Health Visitor, to support the parent's training plan.

#### Parents/Carers will:

- Provide detailed information on how the child is progressing, influencing factors and indicators of need.
- Work together with the school to develop a home/school training programme for the child, as appropriate.
- Provide a daily supply of pants or disposable nappies and clothes for the child.

## Continence Agreement

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/carer: \_\_\_\_\_

As \_\_\_\_\_ is not yet fully continent he/she will need to be changed at school when necessary. Both the school and the parent/carer agree to work together and keep each other fully informed in order to meet the needs of \_\_\_\_\_.

Both parties agree to adhere to the continence policy.

I agree to my child being changed at school, and I will adhere to the continence policy.

Signature of parent/carer: \_\_\_\_\_

We agree to fully support the parent /carer and the child, and to follow the continence policy.

Staff signatures: \_\_\_\_\_