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Intimate Care and Toileting Policy

It is essential that parent/s alert the school - in writing and in a timely manner, to specific toileting/intimate care needs that may need to be considered.

At all times the dignity and privacy of the pupil will be paramount in addressing intimate care needs.

Children with Specific Toileting/Intimate Care Needs:

In all situations where a pupil needs assistance with toileting/intimate care, a meeting will be convened in advance.

- Parents, Guardians, Principal, Class Teacher (as appropriate/practicable), SNA (as may be relevant), and if appropriate, the pupil, will attend.
- The specific care needs of the child, and how the school will meet them, will be clarified and the procedures will be included in the child's Care Needs Plan.
- · Personnel involved in this care will be identified
- A written copy of the agreement will be kept on the pupil's file.
- Parents will be notified of any changes from agreed procedures.

Staffing

- Two members of staff will be present when dealing with intimate care needs.
- As far as possible staff will involve the pupil in identification of his/her personal requirements, wishes, changes etc.
- Provision for occasions when a staff member is absent will be outlined e.g. Substitute SNA's will not generally be involved in intimate care - although there may be cases when this is warranted/appropriate.

Staff are advised of the importance of good hygiene practises

- Wearing protective gloves.
- Handwashing procedures
- Disinfecting affected areas

Toileting Accidents:

- · A supply of clean underwear, wipes, pull-ups, track-suit bottoms etc supplied by the parent/guardian will be kept in the school.
- The pupil will be offered fresh clothing to clean and change themselves
- If staff must clean /change the child, two members of staff, will attend to him/her
- Parents will be notified of these accidents.

Review of This Policy

This policy and its implementation will be reviewed by the Board of Management again in the academic year 25/26.

Written notification that the review has been completed will be made available to school personnel and published on the school website.

A record of the review and its outcome will be made available, if requested, to the patron and the Department.

Signed:

Date: 9/6/25

(Principal)

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