



# Leading Strings Pre-School

## Toilet Training Policy

The practitioners at Leading Strings aim to work in partnership with parents to ensure that the necessary steps are taken to ensure that the toilet training transition in their lives is as smooth as possible.

The development of self-care skills is an important and integral part of the Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED) and Physical Development prime areas, contributing to children's growing confidence and self-esteem and the staff at Leading Strings will spend time supporting this aspect of development.

Although most children are toilet trained anywhere from 18 to 30 months, this will vary from child to child. If your child is aware that they have a wet or soiled nappy and approach staff when they know that they are about to pass urine or have just done so, then the child will be observed to see if a pattern is occurring.

Your child's key worker will then request a meeting with the parents so that they can adopt the same routine that is happening within the home setting and follow the following procedures.

1. Your child will come to pre-school in pull ups or pants/knickers and will be encouraged and supported to use the potty or go on the toilet at regular intervals; they will be supervised by a member of staff until the child is fully toilet trained. An additional member of staff will also be in the surrounding, nearby area.

2. Your child will need to wear suitable clothing when toilet training that are easy for the child to remove when needing to go to the toilet e.g tracksuit bottoms or leggings.
3. Your child will also need to bring in extra changes of clothing (to include spare pants, knickers, bottoms, vests, tops and socks) that should be left in a named bag in the lobby area so that it can be easily identified.
4. You can also provide your own toilet seat and potty if you wish; although we have all the appropriate facilities available at the pre-school.
5. Staff must log any changing of the children's clothes/pull ups etc. in the changing book - logging their initials, date, time and whether they were wet or soiled.

Accidents will occur and our staff at Leading Strings deal with this in a calm and sympathetic way which does not make the child feel that they have done anything wrong. Whilst your child is in the process of toilet training their keyworker will keep you informed on their progress.

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