

January 2019	<b>Polykids Toileting Policy</b>
Contact Authority	Manager: Polykids Childcare Centre
Rationale	<p>The centre has established and maintains a child orientated approach for initiating toileting practice.</p> <p>Our philosophy is based on children having the ability to develop emotional and physical readiness for toileting in their own time. Therefore, we promote an environment that encourages self-determination alongside a positive attitude towards toileting.</p>
National Guidelines	<p><b>Te Whariki</b></p> <p>Well-Being- Goal 1: Children experience an environment where their health is promoted.</p> <p>Contribution- Goal 2: Children experience an environment where they are affirmed as individuals.</p> <p><i>To be worked with and alongside the centre's Nappy changing procedure. Licensing Criteria: PF 18- PF 26</i></p>
Procedures:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children must be using the toilet <i>confidently</i> at home. "<i>Confidently</i>" in practice is being able to take clothes down and sit on the toilet, get off the toilet and pull clothes up.</li> <li>• Children must be <i>willing</i> to go to the toilet on their own accord or when asked or prompted by a teacher.</li> <li>• <b>Teachers will respect a child's right to refuse.</b> ( when all teaching strategies have been exhausted or the child become agitated or shows signs of distress)</li> <li>• We provide potties for children to use in the children's bathroom if required but we prefer that children do sit on the toilet. This is because transitioning from potty to toilet introduces yet another learning step for children.</li> <li>• Alongside toilet training, we request that until fully toilet trained, parents continue to provide nappies/pull ups. We believe that supporting children's <i>positive dispositions</i> towards toileting includes <i>avoiding</i> ongoing accidents during the day.</li> <li>• Parents are most welcome to discuss toileting with teachers at any time.</li> <li>• There is a record kept of when children use the toilet and when toileting accidents occur.</li> <li>• When children have toileting accidents they will be wiped down, washed and redressed in a calm, considerate and affirming manner. Their privacy will be respected and the teacher and child will be visible at all times to other staff. There is a shower available for use in the changing area.</li> <li>• If the child shows no recognition of having had a toileting accident or has two accidents on the same day, they will be placed back in a nappy/pull-up provided by the parent.</li> <li>• All children will be encouraged to dress themselves, this reinforces self-help skills.</li> </ul>
Review Date	January 2022

*This Policy has had full consultation with parents*

**Approved by either:**  
**Director: Organisational Development/**  
**Executive Assistant to the CEO**  
**Date: January**