



Greystones CNS – Toileting Policy

Children with Special Educational Needs/Medical Conditions

Children with Specific Toileting/Intimate Care Needs:

- In all situations where a pupil needs assistance with Toileting/Intimate Care, a meeting will be convened, after enrolment and before the child starts school.
- Parents, Guardians, Principal, Class Teacher, SNA, and if appropriate, the pupil, will attend.
- The specific care needs of the child, and how the school will meet them, will be clarified.
- Personnel involved in this care will be identified.
- Provision for occasions when a member/s of staff is/are absent will be outlined (e.g. Substitute SNA's will not generally be involved in intimate care). Any change of personnel will be discussed with the pupil, if appropriate.
- Where possible two members of staff will be present when dealing with Intimate Care needs.
- Any changes will be discussed with parent/guardian and pupil and noted in writing in the pupil's file.
- As far as possible, the pupil will be involved in identification of his/her personal requirements, wishes, changes etc.
- A written copy of the agreement will be kept on the pupil's file.
- Parents will be notified of any changes from agreed procedures.
- At all times the dignity and privacy of the pupil will be paramount in addressing intimate care needs.
- Staff will wear protective gloves.

Toileting Policy

It is common that children can have toileting accidents in school in Junior Infants. In cases of wetting accidents school staff can supervise the child changing into fresh clothing which should be left by parents. However, in instances where a child soils themselves parents/carers will need to come to school to clean their child correctly.

For Junior Infant children parents are asked to leave a labelled bag with clean underwear, tracksuit bottoms, socks in case in case of wettings.

Toileting Accidents:

- A. In the infant classes in cases of wetting incidents children will be expected to change out of wet clothing into the dry clothing left by parents.
- B. Parents should leave a supply of clean underwear, track-suit bottoms etc will be kept in the school for wetting accidents.
- C. In the first instance, the pupil will be offered fresh clothing and will be expected to change themselves.

D. If, for any reason, the child is unable to clean or change themselves, parents/carers will be called.

E. In the case of wetting accidents; where possible two members of staff will attend to the child.

F. Parents will be notified of these accidents.

G. A record of the incident, as outlined in E (above) should be kept

H. In instances where a child soils themselves parent/carers will need to come to school.