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TOILETING & INTIMATE CARE NEEDS POLICY

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1 CHILDREN WITH SPECIFIC ASSESSED TOILETING/INTIMATE CARE NEEDS:

- In all situations where a pupil has been assessed with Toileting/intimate care need, a meeting will be convened, after enrolment and before the child starts school.
- Parents, Guardians, Principal, SET Teacher, 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 staffs are absent will be outlined. Any change of personnel will be discussed with the pupil, if appropriate.
- In accordance with Cuan na Gaillime NS Child Protection Policy, two members of staff - or one member in the nearness of others, will be present when dealing with assessed toileting / intimate care needs.
- Any changes will be discussed with parent/guardian and pupil if necessary.
- As far as possible the pupil will be involved in identification of his/her personal requirements, wishes, changes etc.
- A written copy of the parental agreement will be kept on the pupils enrolment 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.

2 TOILETING ACCIDENTS:

- At the junior infant induction meetings, the school procedures regarding toileting accidents will be outlined to parents.
- If the child does not have their own spare clothes school spares will be provided.
- In exceptional circumstances if staff must clean / change the child, two members of staff - or one member in the nearness of others will attend to them and the dignity of the child will remain paramount.

3 MONITORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY:

The implementation of the policy shall be monitored by the principal and the Board of Management. An annual report will be issued to the Board of Management to confirm that the actions/measures set down under the policy are being implemented.

4 RATIFICATION

This policy will be communicated to staff and the school community as appropriate and will be subjected to regular review. In accordance with the systematic cycle of review of policies adopted in Cuan na Gaillimhe NS, it will be reviewed initially after one year and then every three years, unless there is a compelling reason to review it earlier.

This policy was reviewed by the Board of Management of Cuan na Gaillimhe CNS on the 27th of April 2020.

Chairperson of the Board of Management



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