

Mount Street Nursery & Infants School



Toilet Policy

Date	March 2022
Review Date	March 2025

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Date of policy review: 2nd March 2022

Date of next review: March 2023

The named person for drawing up and leading the review of this policy is:

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This document is freely available to the entire school community. It has been approved by the school governors and learners.

Aims

- To maximise access to learners' toilet facilities during the day to promote the health, well-being and learning opportunities of all learners.
- To provide good quality toilet facilities throughout the school.

Rationale:

Why are we writing this policy?

- The school recognises that well-maintained toilet facilities where learners feel comfortable and safe and have open access to throughout the school day, are essential for health, well-being, and learning.
- We value and respect our learners and want them to be able to benefit from good provision and practice.

Objectives: What do we want to achieve?

- To ensure that this policy is both accepted and upheld by the whole-school community – school management, staff, learners, governors, parents/carers, cleaning and ancillary staff.
- To keep all toilets open and available to learners throughout the school day. While learners can use toilet facilities at break and lunchtimes if they need to, we ensure learners have access at all times. We recognise that toilet needs are highly individual and do not conform to regimental timetables.
- To ensure that the toilet and washroom facilities are suitable for the range of anticipated users, including learners with disabilities and special needs, with adequate lighting, fixtures and fittings.
- To ensure the toilet and washroom facilities cater for the needs of all learners from ethnic and religious communities, and ensure these needs are met in a sensitive, informed and appropriate manner.
- To ensure that the toilet facilities provide visual and aural privacy for users.

- To ensure that all toilet areas have properly maintained supplies at all times of warm and cold water, liquid soap, hand drying facilities and toilet tissue in dispensers, provided at a convenient height.
- To implement and maintain an effective supervision and inspection regime to ensure proper standards of provision and cleanliness throughout the school day.
- To locate drinking water supplies and outlets in safe and appropriate locations.
- To supervise the toilets at break and lunchtimes, if learners perceive the need.
- To actively seek the views of the whole-school community in relation to any concerns about toilet provision and access issues (ensuring a child-friendly procedure for learners to report deficiencies or problems) and to respond seriously to these and deal promptly with any problems highlighted by the learners.
- To actively consult and involve the learners in managing the toilets (via the School's Listening to Learners programme).
- To encourage learners to respect the toilets and each other (via Circle time, Listening to Learners surveys, in PSE lessons, and for learners to establish a Learner Code of Conduct in toilets and washrooms).
- To regularly include toilet management issues in all appropriate, staff, parent/carer and governor meetings.
- To implement and maintain regular reviews of the policy to monitor that it is being adhered to and remains relevant

Notes

- This policy document was produced in consultation with learners, parents/carers, school staff, governors and the school nurse.
- The school actively supports the provision of open access to well-maintained, clean, private and safe toilet facilities throughout the school day.

Signed: (Chair of Governors)

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