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Toileting Guidelines Policy

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Rationale

Children, especially younger children starting school for the first time, occasionally have toileting accidents resulting in wetting or soiling. At Bowsland Green Primary school we manage this in the following ways:

Wetting:

If a child wets themselves during the school day 2 members of staff will:

- 1. Escort the child to a private toilet.
- 2. Maintain the child's dignity and privacy and support them to understand that 'accidents can happen' in a caring and understanding manner.
- 3. Supervise the child as they dry themselves and change into dry clothes, provided by the school if necessary.
- 4. Provide a plastic bag for the wet clothes. The child will be encouraged to place their clothes in the bag and hang it on their peg ready for collection at home time.
- 5. Ensure the child washes their hands thoroughly.
- 6. Return the child to their class. Their return is acknowledged but attention is not drawn to their 'accident'.
- 7. Parents will be informed of the 'accident' at the end of the school day or a note placed inside the child's bag if the parents are not collecting their child.

Soiling:

If a child soils themselves during the school day 2 members of staff will:

- 1. Escort the child to a private toilet.
- 2. Maintain the child's dignity and privacy and support them to understand that 'accidents can happen' in a caring and understanding manner.
- 3. Supervise them as the undress and support them in cleaning themselves, in line with our intimate care policy.
- 4. Place the soiled clothes in a sealed bag.
- 5. Ensure the child washes their hands thoroughly.
- 6. Return the child to their class. Their return is acknowledged but attention is not drawn to their 'accident'.
- 7. Phone the parent to inform them about the soiling.

Toilet training before starting school:

 Bowsland Green Primary School asks that all children are toilet trained before starting school as the school is not able to routinely change children who have soiled or wet themselves on a regular basis.

Repeated Soiling/ wetting:

• Where a child repeatedly soils or wets themselves, the school is not able to routinely change the child and parents will be asked to come into school and change the child.

The only exception to this is where a child has complex medical or learning difficulties which require an Individual Health Care Plan or Educational Health Care Plan. School and Parents will then access the intimate care policy.