

Infection Prevention and Control Policy

Statement of Intent

In Ballysillan Nursery it is our intention to make a safe and clean environment for all staff, parents, children and visitors. We ask that all staff and parent/visitors adhere to the signs around the nursery regarding hand sanitizing.

Procedures

The procedures put in place to ensure the prevention of the spread and cross-infection of illnesses and viruses in the pre-school are;

- Hand washing gel at all sinks.
- Our toilet and sink areas will be cleaned and disinfected once a day by the designated nursery cleaner.
- The cleaner will also ensure the stock of hand soap and cleaning products.
- All cleaning equipment is kept on shelves out of reach of children.
- Cleaning of classroom equipment is carried out on a daily basis e.g. tables and chairs.
- Cleaning of toys will happen on a weekly/yearly basis depending upon the resource.

Exclusion of sick children and staff

- Parents/careers are not advised to bring sick children to school until 48 hours
- See HSC guidance poster supplied to schools regarding specific illnesses/outbreaks.
- Pregnant staff must informed of specific illnesses (see guidance poster for details).

Infectious Diseases

- It is paramount that staff protect themselves and other children from infection diseases via contamination.
- Staff must wear aprons and gloves to dispose of any cleaning materials used appropriately.
- In reported cases involving AIDS, Hepatitis B staff must take extreme care.

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