Toileting Skills Plan- Step 1



- Talk about potties toilets, poos and wee's. Allow your child to see family members siting down to use the toilet.
- Use an object of reference if your child has trouble communicating such as a nappy to show them they are going to the toilet area- You may be given alternative visual support such as pictures if your child already uses these as a method of communication.
- All nappy changes should be done in the toilet area with your child in a standing position where possible.
- If your child has a poo in his/her nappy tip the poo down the toilet and wave byeflush it away so they begin to understand where it belongs.
- Use a sturdy potty or a toilet seat and footstool for your child.
- Start to encourage your child to sit on the potty/ toilet as part of their daily routine- maybe during their morning/evening routine of getting dressed.
- Sit with your child when he/she is on the potty/ toilet and sing songs, blow bubbles or look at a book to make it fun.
- Praise your child for sitting on the potty/toilet even when there are no wees or poos.
- Try your child in underwear in the daytime for a few hours so they start to feel when they are wet and recognise when they need the toilet.
- Encourage your child to have 6-8 drinks per day

This toileting plan will be reviewed with you by Emma Wilson- Early Years Health Practitioner