



Personal protective equipment such as gloves and aprons should be worn when handling dirty or contaminated clothing and linen, this is due to the possible exposure to body fluids (See body fluid spillage policy).

Bed linen

Linen used for sleep mats should be dedicated for individual child's use, the linen will be used for one week then washed, however if the linen becomes dirty or contaminated during the week, the linen will be washed and clean linen provided for the child. The linen must be labelled with the child's name.

Soiled clothing

Wearing gloves and an apron, flush any soiled material (e.g., vomit or faeces) into toilet carefully avoiding splashing and then place in a sealed waterproof bag for the parents to collect and wash at home. Never rinse the clothes/material by hand. The parent must be informed of what is in the bag on collection.

Handling linen

Used linen should be stored in the dirty linen bin if it is for washing and is not infected.

Used soiled or infected linen should be stored separately to other linen in a waterproof bag and should be laundered separately.

Linen that is soiled and infected should be removed from bag, placed in washing machine and laundered using a pre wash cycle to dispel any soiling followed by a hot wash in which the temperature is maintained at 65 degrees for at least 10 minutes.

Clean linen should be kept well away from dirty laundry and should be dried and put away as soon as possible.