

Toilet Policy

Brynmill Primary School



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*Being different, belonging together  
Bod yn wahanol yn perthyn I'n gilydd*

*Spring 2017*

## Aims

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

## Rationale: Why we are writing this policy?

- The school recognises that well-maintained toilet facilities where pupils feel comfortable and safe and have open access to throughout the school day, are essential for health, wellbeing, and learning.
- We value and respect our pupils 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, pupils, governors, parents, site manager, cleaning and ancillary staff.
- To keep all toilets open and available to pupils throughout the school day. While pupils can use toilet facilities at break and lunchtimes if they need to, we ensure pupils have access at all times. We recognise that toilet needs are highly individual and do not conform to regimental timetables. We recognize that some pupils only feel comfortable going to the toilet when others are not around and will allow children to quietly leave class to use the toilet without adverse comment.
- To ensure that the toilet and washroom facilities are suitable for the range of anticipated users, including pupils with disabilities and special needs, with adequate lighting, fixtures and fittings.

- To ensure the toilet and washroom facilities cater for the needs of all pupils 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, ensuring a spare supply of cubicle door locks.
- To ensure that all toilet areas have properly maintained supplies at all times of warm and cold water, soap, hand drying facilities and toilet tissue in dispensers, provided at a convenient height.
- To ensure sanitary disposal units in selected female cubicles (for girls aged eight and over), serviced on a regular basis and to have an emergency supply of sanitary products.
- To maintain effective standards of provision and cleanliness, we ask users to report any concerns to the school office, throughout the school day.
- To locate drinking water supplies and outlets in safe and appropriate locations, and not in toilet areas.
- To acknowledge the views of the whole school community in relation to any concerns about toilet provision and access issues (ensuring a child friendly procedure for pupils to report deficiencies or problems) and to respond seriously to these and deal promptly with any problems highlighted by the pupils.
- To encourage pupils to respect the toilets and each other (via the School Council, in PSD/PSE lessons, in class-teacher discussion times, in the Social, Emotional Aspects of Learning (SEAL) programme).
- To implement and maintain three yearly reviews of the policy to monitor that it is being adhered to and remains relevant.
- The school actively supports the provision of open access to well-maintained, clean, private and safe toilet facilities throughout the school day.

## Rights Respecting School

At Brynmill Primary School, we follow and keep the principles of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). We believe that every child in our school has the right to the 42 Articles. The Articles relevant to this policy are:-

Article 6: You have the right to life and to grow up to be healthy.

Article 16: Your right to have privacy.

Article 19: You should not be harmed and should be looked after and kept safe.

Article 23: Your right to special care and support if you are disabled so that you can lead a full and independent life.

Article 27: Your right to a good standard of living.

This policy will be monitored and reviewed in line with school's policy review cycle	
Reviewed and accepted by Staff	
Policy approved by Sub Committee	
Policy ratified by Governors	
Scheduled for review	Spring Term 2020
Head teacher's Signature	
Chair of Governors Signature	