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Dear Parents/Carers

It has come to our attention that there are a number of children coming to nursery still wearing nappies. With less than a year before the children leave Nursery to move up into Reception we really need to work hard at both home and nursery to support every child to be out of nappies and independently using the toilet.

Within the past week we have had a couple of children at Nursery who with both their parents and teacher's encouragement are now out of their nappies, wearing underwear and with lots of reminders are using the toilet by themselves.

We kindly ask that if your child is currently still in nappies and not fully toilet trained that you please make tackling this a priority at home and we will do the same at Nursery. The Nursery staff would prefer the children to come to Nursery in underwear and not nappies and we will happily change any accidents that may happen whilst we try our best to help with toilet training. However, if you are bringing your child to Nursery in underwear then they should not return home to be put back in a nappy as this will send any progress backwards.

Toilet training experts always encourage children to be wearing underwear, even when their accidents are quite regular at first, as children need to feel that they are wet, uncomfortable and inconvenienced by not using a toilet.

If you have any concerns, questions or would like support with this then please feel free to speak to any members of the Nursery team.

Thank you

Mrs Costello

Head of Lower School