



Maitland Evangelical Church Policy

Toileting Policy

Background: At MEC, we are committed to the safety of every child, deserving the confidence of every family, and being honest and transparent in our actions. These toileting policies have been developed to help children, parents and leaders to feel comfortable with what will happen if a child needs to use the toilet during MEC children's programs.

Policy:

If the child is not toilet trained:

If a child needs a nappy changed, or has had an accident, we will bring them back to the parents straightaway. We will not change your baby's nappy, or change your child's clothes.

Creche or Infants:

If the child is toilet trained, and in Creche or Infants, a leader will walk the child to the outside of the toilet. We will not go in with the child. We will wait at the outside door of the toilet area and ask them if they are okay at each stage. If they need help toileting, we will come into church and find their parent. We will not toilet your child or be in the cubicle with them.

Primary School Aged or older:

If the child is in Primary Sunday School or Junior Vine, we will send them to the toilet by themselves and follow up if they have not returned in a five-minute period. If there are concerns, leaders will talk to them from the outside and will not be in the toilet area with older children.

If there are areas around this policy that you would like to discuss, please speak to your child's leaders, the Children's Ministry Coordinator or the MEC Safe Ministry Representative (standards@maitlandchurch.org).



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Review Date	Reviewed By	Summary of Changes	MEC Platforms Updated
14/3/2022	Nick Coller, Admin Committee	Removed specific details of children's ministry coordinator so policy will remain up to date if that person changes	Yes
11/3/2024	Nick Coller, Admin Committee	Added MEC Safe Ministry Representative and e-mail address to list of contacts	Yes