

## Hygienic Laundering Procedure

### **Rationale:**

To ensure safe and hygienic practices are upheld in line with Ministry of Education Licensing Criteria HS2: Linen used by children or adults is hygienically laundered.

### **Te Whāriki:**

Well-being/Mana Atua: Tamariki experience an environment where they are kept safe from harm.

### **Procedures:**

1. The kindergarten's washing machine will be used by kaiako to run hot washes, using hyper-allergenic washing powder, throughout the week for kindergarten linen. Separate washes will be done for:
  - a) Kitchen linen
  - b) Bathroom or body linen
  - c) Art and play linen.
2. Once washed, linen will be sufficiently dried by air drying or the use of a dryer. Linen will then be put away in its appropriate place once fully dry.
3. Teachers will ensure children are offered clean linen to use whenever needed, including bedding, cloths and towels.
4. All soiled and sick children's clothing will be placed into a plastic bag to be sent home with the child's whānau for washing.
5. If any kindergarten linen, such as spare clothing, is soiled, teachers will wash it immediately and separately in a hot wash. In the case of soiling by blood, a cold wash, followed by a hot wash is required.

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