ECO-FRIENDLY CHILD CARE CHARTER



Saint-Louis Agglomération (SLA) is committed to a policy of energy and ecological transition through the Cit'ergie label (European Energy Award).

The purpose of this charter is to formalise the eco-responsible undertakings of the four flexible attendance child care facilities managed by SLA: Les Loustics in Ranspach-le-Bas, Tom Pouce in Hagenthal-le-Bas, Les Trois Cygnes in Landser and Les Lucioles in Sierentz.



Our undertakings on nutrition

- Our catering partner provides a significant proportion of its provender from the organic agriculture sector (27%), comprising fresh seasonal fruits and vegetables sourced from short food supply chains. The meals devised by a dietician are liquidised or cut into small pieces especially designed for Infancy and Early Childhood;
- · One vegetarian meal is provided each week;
- · The contents of the small pots are sourced 100% from organic agriculture;
- · The number of orders is adjusted before 8.30 a.m. every day in order to keep waste to a minimum;
- · Regular "home made" cooking activities are an integral part of the children's daily routine.



Our undertakings on food containers

- None of our crockery or babies' bottles contain BISPHENOL A or PHTHALATES;
- The food packaging proposed comes in the form of glass or stainless dishes in order to keep plastic packaging to a minimum and portions are individual.



Our undertakings on the upkeep and cleaning of the premises

- · Surfaces and windows are disinfected and cleaned by steam;
- · The use of eco-label household products is strongly encouraged;
- Disposable overshoes are replaced by washable cotton overshoes so that families can move around the premises hygienically;
- · The use of washable microfibre towelettes for cleaning and disinfecting surfaces is preferred;
- · Indoor air quality is monitored at all times (French Decree No. 2015-1000 of 17 August 2015).



Our undertakings on hygiene measures

- · The staff's work clothes are laundered on site;
- · Masks in washable fabric in line with the agreed standards are preferred wherever possible:
- · Paper hand towels are dispensed sheet by sheet to prevent waste.



Our undertakings on the personal hygiene and care of the children

- · The use of soap and water when changing nappies and frequent hand washing are encouraged;
- · We have sourced an odourless hypoallergenic soap with no PARABENS available from a wall dispenser (foam);
- A nappy cream is applied (but only if baby's bottom is irritated) and is provided by each flexible attendance child care facility;
- · The use of hygienic terry cloth towels and gloves has been stepped up;
- Nappies that do not contain any controversial substances are selected (since 2020, from a supplier located in the vicinity of Saint-Louis Agglomération).



Our undertakings on child care equipment and games

- All of our child care equipment has been selected in compliance with the European standards on safety and hygiene;
- · Priority is given to purchasing games and toys made of wood or recycled plastics.



Our undertakings on selective sorting, recycling and waste reduction

Selective sorting and recovery are part and parcel of our daily routine. The children are also made aware of this through activities and games.

- · Selective sorting containers have been installed (glass, cardboard, paper);
- Several waste prevention actions are encouraged: reuse of paper, food orders finalised on the day
 of consumption, individual food trays returned to the caterer for reuse;
- · All documents (contracts, invoices, etc.) are paperless;
- · We limit the use of bottled water;
- · Composters have been installed in two establishments;
- · Leftover food is recovered to feed animals (chickens, goats, etc.) in two establishments;
- We encourage families to use washable nappies in line with the Local Waste Prevention Programme in Saint-Louis Agglomération.



Our undertakings on energy consumption

- · Heating and air conditioning are regulated;
- The electrical appliances selected are low energy consumption and we prefer them to be switched off rather than put on standby;
- Sober lighting and bulb replacement by LEDs in all four establishments is being progressively applied (2020-2021);
- There is a WiFi connection, but only in the administrative areas (Abeille Act: sobriety of exposure to electromagnetic fields);
- · Solar energy is exploited in one establishment thanks to the roof panels used to produce hot water;
- · Water consumption is carefully controlled;
- · The children are made aware of "eco-friendly gestures" (switch off the lights, turn off the taps, etc.).



Our undertakings regarding our educational garden

- · A vegetable garden and an aroma corner (aromatic herbs) will be planted;
- · The children will be introduced to eco-responsible actions through play.



Our undertakings on awareness of protecting the environment

We will undertake the promotion of the foregoing to children, families, professionals and partners of the SLA and will circulate this charter as widely as possible. We will adopt a generally ecoresponsible approach.

The flexible attendance child care facilities Saint-Louis Agglomération are committed to the energy and ecological transition

The Directors, 16/08/2021

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