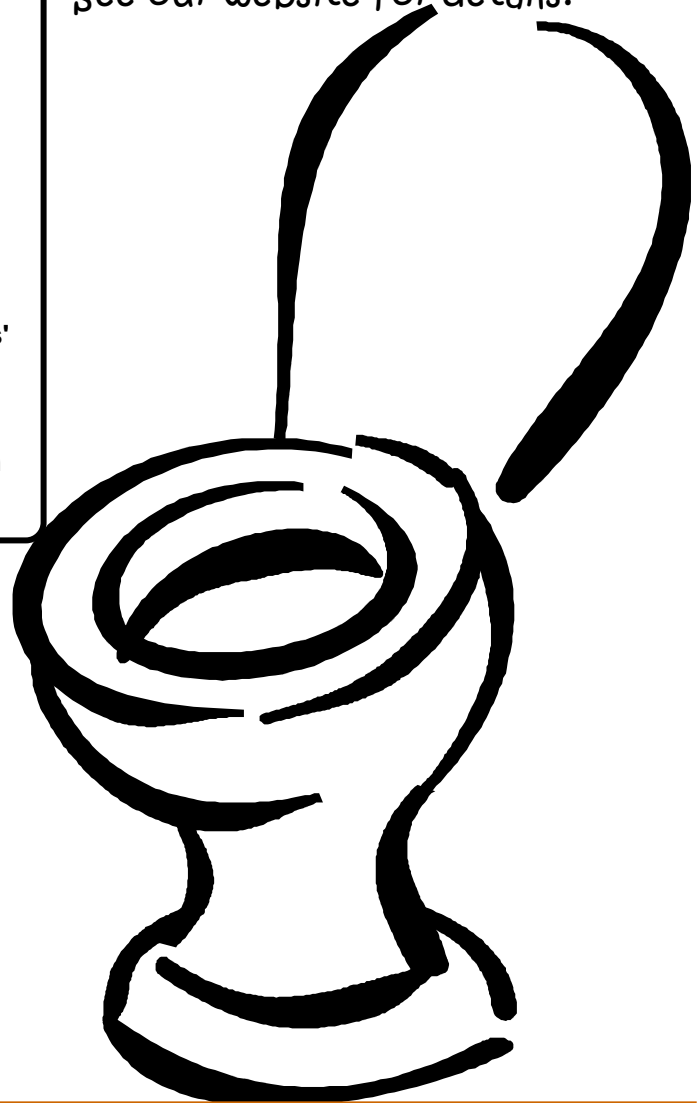


Toilet Charter

- Pupils must be allowed to use the toilet whenever they need to.
- There must be enough toilet cubicles for girls and boys.
- Toilet cubicles must be private and have doors that lock.
- Pupils with special needs must have suitable toilets that they can get to and use easily.
- Toilets must be looked after properly and not smell.
- Warm water and soap must be provided, plus towels or hand dryers.
- There must be enough toilet paper in all cubicles.
- Sanitary products and sanitary disposal units must be provided in toilets for girls aged eight and over.
- Toilets must be free from bullies and smokers.
- Schools must have a policy to keep pupils' toilets clean and in good condition.
- Pupils must be involved in managing and improving their toilets.
- All complaints about toilets must be taken seriously.

Overmark believes our school, and all schools should be following this charter issued by the Bog Standard Initiative, but are we? Since our last story has anything improved?

See our website for details.



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How do you rate these toilets?
Have they always been like this?
Could you use them if you *had* to?
Have they ever caused you problems?

If you've had a bad experience with toilets at school that has affected your health in some way, then the Bog Standard Initiative would like to hear from you to aid an article being produced by the BBC.

You do not need to give your name, and there is the chance your story might be featured on Newsround or Exchange. You can either send your stories to us, or to this info@bog-standard.org.

Further information is available on our website; www.overmark.vze.com

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