



I01 Notification of Incident

Thank you for submitting your notification. Below is a copy of the information provided in your notification. If there are any issues, please contact your [Regulatory Authority](#) for assistance.

Notification of Incident

Provider

Provider Name	Trustees of the Roman Catholic Church for the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn
Provider Number	PR-00005878
Provider Approval Status	Approved

Service

Service Legal Entity Name	St Joseph's Early Learning Centre
Service Trading Name	St Joseph's Early Learning Centre
Service Approval Number	SE-00009837
Service Approval Status	Approved

Incident Details

Incident Type	Reg 175-An allegation of physical or sexual abuse of a child or children at the service (other than an allegation raised as a formal complaint)
Please supply the following information: -Detailed description of the incident including nature of risk, cause etc -Detailed description of impact on the operation of the service -Involvement of emergency services or other authorities (if relevant) -Action taken by Approved Provider to manage the risk -Any other relevant information	Complaint received on Friday 24 November 2023 by mother of child: Yesterday (23 November) XXXX did a poo in the evening at home after we'd collected him. He was seated on the big toilet in our house without his seat attachment, so he fell in the toilet and called out to me to assist him. The below is the conversation I had with XXXX after I lifted him out of the toilet (written down immediately after he went to the toilet at 6pm 23/11): XXXX just did poo and called for mummy to help in bathroom. Mummy came in. Said "would you like me to wipe your bottom?". XXXX: yes please but don't touch my doodle. Mummy: of course my darling. Why did you ask me not to touch your doodle? XXXX: because sometimes my doodle is wiped when I do a poo and I don't need it and I didn't ask for it. Mummy: can you show me what happens when someone touches your doodle when you do a poo?

Submitted By: **P01** **P01**



XXXX *wipes up/over his doodle with his right hand and around his hip to his bottom. Hand/fingers in contact with his doodle, hip and bottom whole time. Huge smile on his face as he does it*

Mummy: who does that to you at preschool when you have done a poo?

XXXX: miss P01

Mummy: miss P01 touches your doodle when you do a poo?

XXXX: yes but only sometimes.

He usually wipes himself at home. So had he not fallen in the toilet and needed me to lift him out which promoted the question, we may not have been made aware that this inappropriate educator behaviour is occurring at preschool.

P01 let me know this morning that XXXX is independent with toileting at preschool too (and that she's never been asked by him for assistance with wiping).

This is the second instance this year that this educator has been inappropriate with XXXX when in the bathroom. Nothing in writing about the below/other incident has been provided to the school as I spoke with P01, and she followed up with me (verbally) to advise that Ms P01 had been spoken with/re-educated about coercion and that it is never acceptable to demand physical affection from a child in exchange for help.

Ms P01 told me at pick up "XXXX is such a lovely boy but he never wants to give me cuddles. I keep asking and asking and he keeps saying no. Well today I got my way. When he was in the toilet he needed help doing up his pants so I said to him, yes I will help you, but you need to give me a cuddle first". Pause and huge smile on her face "And he gave me a cuddle!". She then laughed.

I went home with XXXX that evening feeling sick and raised it with P01 the following week as it didn't sit well with me.

After my discussion with P01 this morning, and as a first response - she agreed that Ms P01 will not enter the bathroom when XXXX is in there, will not remain in the bathroom if XXXX enters it, and will not be left alone with him at all whilst he is under St Jo's care at preschool. She also advised that this will be taken higher up for a response/action.

CECG referred the matter to ACT Police, who advised to refer it to CYPS. CE referred the matter to CYPS who advised they were not going to refer it to ACT Police because they knew we had already done so.

CECG is undertaking a Reportable Conduct investigation.

Incident date	24/11/2023
Incident Time	09:00 AM
Location	Bathroom/nappy change area
General activity at the time	Unknown
Interaction Type	Child/Adult



Did Emergency Services attend? **No**

Referral to any other third party **ACT Police, CYPs**

This notification meets the requirements of the Education & Care Services National Law. You may also be required to notify the incident under your state or territory child protection law.

Please upload any relevant documentation **No documents supplied**

Child Details

Child's Name

Child's Gender

Child's Date of Birth

Parent(s)/Guardians(s) Name

Parent's Email

Parent(s)/Guardians(s) Phone

Contact Details

Name **P01** **P01**

Phone Number **P03**

Email Address **P03**