

## Covid19 Policy and Procedures.



### Hygiene Measures

- Staff and children will wash hands on arrival, before and after food and toileting and regularly throughout the day, staff will use hand sanitiser when necessary.
- We will clean/disinfect toys and surfaces throughout the day. Gates and door handles, phones, tablets etc at least at breakfast club, snacks, dinner and end of day.
- Minibus wiped down and sanitised at the end of every day.
- We will reduce toys available to play with to those most easily cleaned. Playdough thrown away at the end of the day and replenished with new. Sand raked and disinfected daily. Water thrown and replenished throughout the day. Dressing up, soft furnishings etc. kept to a minimum and anti-bacterial sprayed on at the end of each day or washed and new ones put on.
- Vizi-vests washed and not shared between children.
- We have PPE (gloves and aprons) available for staff.
- The latest guidance says that face coverings are not recommended in educational settings, however, as social distancing is difficult, staff can wear the clear visors if they want to, but must wear them for nappy changing.

### Routine

- Temperatures of children and staff will be checked and recorded at the entrance doorways and minibus with an infrared forehead thermometer. If a reading of 37.8 or higher is recorded there will be no admittance to Nursery/Pre-School. Isolation should be for at least 7 days and a test should be sought.
- We will play outside as much as possible.
- Keep windows and doors open as much as possible.
- In order to minimise the number of people in our 'bubble' Parents/Carers will be asked to drop off children at the side gate and we will bring your child to the gate at pick up time. Parents to wear face coverings. We will only admit essential visitors.
- If it is your child's Forest School day please wait behind the barrier and a staff member will take your child to get on the bus. Parents to wear face covering and please do not get on the bus.
- Once in the setting your child's bag will remain here or at the forest school. If your child uses a dummy, please provide one in a name labelled container that can remain at Nursery. Only additional comforters, if necessary, can be brought in from home and sent home daily if required.
- Tapestry is not only essential for recording your child's learning and development, but also as a way to communicate. Please check daily for messages and contact us via tapestry if possible.

### If symptomatic

- Following Government guidance - If a child or a member of staff have a new persistent cough or temperature of 37.8 or above, they will be sent home immediately. Our judgement on coughs will be final. Children will wait in the sensory shed or weather permitting in outside area with a member of staff until they are collected. Isolation at home for at least 10 days, if temperature or cough persist after that, another 7 days. All other members of the household will isolate at home for 14 days. If a

child or member of staff has a test which proves negative, proof of the test result will be needed if returning before the end of the isolation period.

- Where the child, young person or staff member tests positive, we will immediately contact PHE – 08000 468687.
- Coronavirus related inflammatory syndrome in children – alert from NHS England – a small number of cases Nationwide - symptoms - high temperature, low blood pressure, rash, difficulty breathing, tummy pain, vomiting, diarrhoea, inflammation of the heart, abnormal blood test results, body overwhelmed with fighting infection (Toxic Shock Syndrome/Kawasaki Disease). If children present any of these symptoms they will be sent home.

#### Social Distancing

- Parents/Carers are asked to adhere to social distancing measures at the entrance doors when dropping off and picking up children.
- Child to child – impossible
- Staff to child – impossible
- Staff to staff – wherever possible we will adhere to social distancing but this won't be possible all the time.
- In order to reduce the number of people we come into contact with we will be working in set areas. This will also help us when 'Track and Trace' comes in as, should one member of staff become symptomatic, some/all the team are less likely to have to isolate.

These procedures are subject to change at any time.

Thank you for your cooperation.