

COVID-19 policy

Following recent developments we have updated our policies to include a new 'Covid -19' policy.

This guidance will assist staff in addressing coronavirus (COVID-19) in preschool

This guidance may be updated in line with the changing situation.

Safeguarding the health and wellbeing of all children and staff at preschool is our top priority.

How we will minimise infection –

- Staff and children should stay at home if they are unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, loss of smell or taste - to avoid spreading infection to others. They must follow the procedures listed for suspected Covid 19.
- if staff, young people or children become unwell on site with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature they will be removed from the playroom and kept isolated and **must** be sent home
- we will clean and disinfect regularly touched objects and surfaces more often than usual using soap and antibacterial cleaning products
- resources and toys will be reduced – these will be cleaned after each use as much as practically possible session and replaced every day with sanitised toys and resources.
- we will supervise children to ensure they wash their hands (for 20 seconds) with soap and water or hand sanitiser and catch coughs and sneezes in tissues
- Children and staff will be required to wash hands on entering the setting, and regularly throughout the day
- anyone with a temperature above 38oc will not be allowed to enter the setting and must follow the procedures listed for showing symptoms of Covid-19.
- No one other than preschool staff and children will be allowed either onsite or into the building – handovers will now take place at the school gates.
- We require all children who attend preschool to follow all current government guidelines regarding Covid 19 – if this is not adhered to sessions **WILL** be suspended. It is parents and carers duty to keep themselves informed of the regular updates from the Government , please also adhere to the Governments list of areas (both in the UK and outside) that are in 'lockdown' and follow the correct procedures if returning from them.

- No toys will be allowed to be brought in from home (comforters will be allowed if required)