

Parental Agreement: Covid-19 (Updated Oct 2020)

This agreement should be read in conjunction with our risk assessment attached to this email and available on our website.



In order for us to operate our provision safely, protecting children, families and staff, we need to make some changes to our normal provision. This parental agreement states specific actions that need to be followed at all times. Unfortunately, if these actions are not adhered to your child's place will be at risk.

Please ensure all persons who are responsible for drop off or collection have been shown and agree to abide by this agreement.

1) Social distancing

Drop off will be at the front entrance and collection from the rear (tennis court). Parents are asked to avoid gathering at the entrance/exit, and to ensure a 2-metre distance. Staff on the door will wear a face covering (mask/visor) during handover .

Parents are not allowed into the setting unless it is absolutely necessary. If they do have to come into the setting, they must adhere to current instructions i.e sanitise their hands, wear a face covering, social distance from adults and refrain from touching resources.

2) Personal belongings

Toys from home will not be allowed into the setting.

Only essential comforters will be allowed. Children will be encouraged to only use these when absolutely necessary and practitioners will sensitively remove and store safely should the child put these down.

We endeavour to use the outside as much as possible. We require all children to be supplied with appropriate clothing and footwear, this includes closed toe shoes and clothing that covers arms and legs for when we go on nature walks or to the forest school site (children do not need to arrive in this clothing but have this available in their bags).

If possible children's bags containing spare clothes, nappies etc should be left at the setting to avoid unnecessary transportation of items between home and setting. We will send home any soiled clothes/nappies in nappy sacks separately.

We would still like children to have indoor shoes/slippers and would like these to remain at the setting if possible. (Helps keep our rugs clean and children get practice in taking footwear on and off)

New hygiene measures mean we are unable to supply clothing for children unless this is an emergency. Children should be supplied with a full set of spare clothes in their bags.

Children need to have sun cream applied prior to arriving to the setting. Please sign the permission sheet for us to apply our own later in the day. If your child has sensitive skin or allergies please supply their own in a named bottle and put in tray provided.

Children should be supplied with their own named sun hat.

Children should have swimwear, a towel and if required a swim nappy, kept in their bag to allow full body water play in warmer weather.

Children's lunchboxes should be plastic (e.g Tupperware or takeaway boxes) not fabric and cleaned and sanitised daily by parents.

Children's drink bottles should be cleaned and sanitised daily by parents.

All belongings need to be clearly labelled.

3) Hygiene

We ask parents to ensure children arrive each morning in freshly laundered clothing.

In the setting we will be teaching children good respiratory and hand hygiene. We ask parents and carers to continue this teaching at home, following the guidance below.

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it
with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it
by washing
your hands with
soap & water or
hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



**After breaks
& sport
activities**



**Before
cooking
& eating**



**SCHOOL
ETC.**
**On arrival at
any childcare
or educational
setting**



**After using
the toilet**



**Before
leaving
home**



Try not to touch your
eyes, nose, and mouth
with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come
into contact with your mouth
such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items
such as bedding, dishes,
pencils & towels

Please encourage the children to sing our hand washing song at home. Check your child's Tapestry profile where some of our children have sung it for you as your child may have forgotten it over this long break.

4) Managing Infections

We require parents to have open communication with us regarding the health of their children or other household members.

If a child becomes unwell whilst at the setting

If a child becomes unwell with Coronavirus symptoms whilst in the setting, they will be immediately isolated in a room away from other persons other than their immediate carer. The room will be ventilated where possible and the door closed. Parents/carers will be contacted and asked to collect their child immediately. The staff member caring for the child may wear face mask to protect themselves.

Isolation

If a child displays Coronavirus symptoms, whether at home or the setting, they will be required to self-isolate for with their household members until their test result.

If someone in the child's household develops symptoms of Coronavirus and the child is free of symptoms, the child would be expected to isolate for 14 days.

If the test is negative and they are deemed well enough, they can return to the setting and fellow household members can end self-isolation.

If a test comes back positive for someone attending the setting, all children and staff will be sent home immediately and advised to self-isolate for 14 days or until they have confirmed results from taking a Covid-19 test. We would then follow advice from Public Health England.

To apply for a test, visit the NHS website; <https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19>

5) Duty of care

As well as caring for our children and families we have a duty of care to our staff.

Part of this duty is to ensure we implement flexible working practices in a way that promotes good work-life balance and supports staff and leaders. It is for this reason that we have changed our opening times enabling our staff to have time with their own families through this worrying time.

We ask parents to inform us in good time of any changes to the care they require so we can give notice of this to the staff and allow time off if appropriate.

We ask parents to arrive and depart in a timely manner.

We value constructive feedback and ask parents to speak with Deb, Julian or Katie with any concerns they may have so we can deal with these promptly.

We ask parents not to put our staff at risk by bringing children in when they are unwell, even if this is not directly linked to Covid-19.

NB If a child requires calpol before attending then they are not well enough to come.

Please note:

If we feel parents are not complying with this parental agreement, we will discuss this with you in depth, to find a resolution. If this is not possible, we reserve the right to remove your child's place with us.

KEYFS Management Team