

We have been through unusual and unsettling times and the well-being of children families, staff and parents is very important to us. As more children start to return to Nursery, following the Coronavirus pandemic, we want to be able to support them through this, as best we can.

This guide explains some of the steps and adaptions we have made to keep everyone as safe as possible, as well as some helpful advice on how you can support your child's return to Nursery.

This is a learning process and we will be continually evaluating our practices, ensuring that our key focus will be to support your child's well-being, confidence and happiness, whilst nurturing relationships.



What to bring



- There is no need to bring face masks or other protective items
- Please keep personal toys, teddies and blankets at home to reduce the risk of cross-contamination in our Nursery
- Dummies are ok if still needed by your child, but please put inside a named, sterilised container
- If you can, please dress your child in newly washed clothes, every day

Arriving at and leaving nursery



- Parents should travel alone, if possible, as per government guidelines. Please try to limit drop off and collection to one carer per household
- Families will be given set times to drop off and collect - please adhere to these as it will minimise your contact with other families at the Nursery entrance
- Parents and children may need to wait to let other children in/leave first. Please keep 2 metres apart from other families
- Do not bring your child if any of your family are suffering from Covid-19 symptoms





Activities

- On entry children will be guided to the bathroom for a 20 second hand wash
- Toys, play surfaces and resources have been hygienically cleaned and will be changed regularly
- Some experiences will not be available to the children due to the risk of cross infection
- Children are divided into small groups, we call 'bubbles' so children can still play with their friends

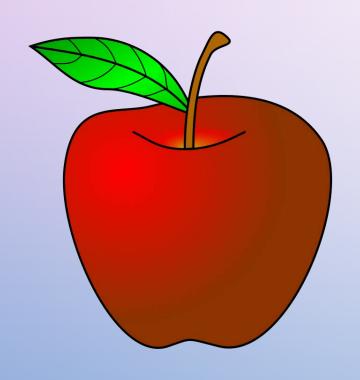


Outdoor Play



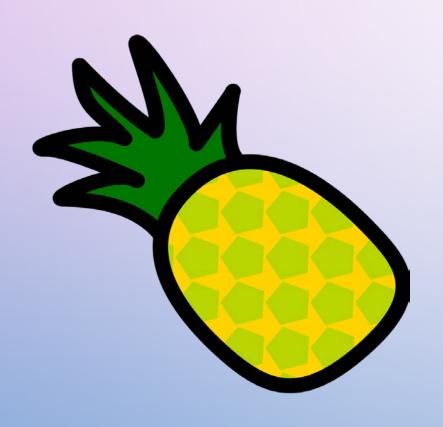
- The children will spend lots of time outdoors - please make sure they always have appropriate clothing for the weather
- Should we need to increase numbers of children, we will be able to divide our outdoor space into different sections for the different bubbles of children
- Our outdoor toys are cleaned at the end of each day





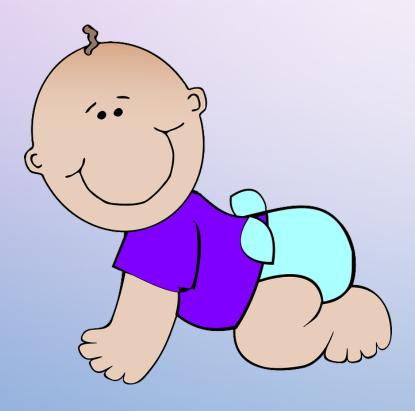
- Staff and children thoroughly clean their hands before snacks and meals
- Staff and children take frequent breaks for hand washing
- Tissues are readily available
- Staff wear gloves and aprons when changing nappies, preparing snacks or administering first aid - this is our usual practice
- PPE equipment is used by staff if a child becomes poorly

Meal and Snack times



- At snack and meal times children will sit with their friends from their bubble
- Children will be served snacks on individual plates or in bowls to ensure food is not touched by others or shared
- At lunch time, children are encouraged to be independent in accessing food from their packed lunch. Please provide containers that they are able to open themselves

Visits and visitors



- For now, all visits and visitors to nursery have been postponed until it is safe to invite other people into our nursery
- Meetings, special events and introductory evenings are also on hold
- Only essential visitors will be allowed in Nursery, to ensure we continue to keep our very high health and safety standards

Healthy and happy at nursery



- Only bring your child to nursery if they are fit and well
- If you or anyone in your house is experiencing Covid-19 symptoms do not come to nursery, and call us to make us aware
- If your child becomes poorly during the day, you will be contacted to come and collect them from Nursery
- Please follow Government guidelines in terms of contacting 111 and isolating, where necessary