



Dear Parents and Carers

We are very happy and excited to welcome the children back to Pre-School this term.

We would like to tell you about some of the changes we have made and how we intend to try to keep everyone safe and happy while they are at pre-school.

We have put away our carpets, soft toys and soft furnishing

We will not be sending book bags home this term

Until we get further guidance we will not have playdough, sand and water play out

We are hoping to spend lots of time in our garden area playing and learning, however as it turns colder we know the children will want to be inside more, we will ensure that we have good ventilation, letting fresh air in by keeping the small windows open.

Staff will be wearing tabards with pockets for masks, disposable gloves and anti-bac gel, which will be washed daily

Staff will wear clean clothes every day.

Staff and children will wash their hands together every hour; we will play some songs while we do this to make it into a fun time.

We will encourage the children to use hand sanitiser as they come into pre-school. If you can do this with your child with your own sanitiser as they come in it would be a big help.

We always encourage the children to wipe their nose with a tissue then put it in the bin, or cover their mouth when they sneeze or cough then to wash their hands, we will ensure that we continue with this.

The children still have lots of toys and activities to choose from but we have spaced the room out more and put some furniture away so they have lots of room to spread out.

We understand that children this young may find social distancing difficult to understand so we will encourage it but not enforce it, we will be one bubble including all the staff and children.

If a child is upset and needs a cuddle staff may put a mask on to do this, we will always tell the child what we are doing and why and hopefully they will accept this, the children that came back at the end of last term for a short time took this well and we didn't have any problems.

We will rotate our toys to give us time to clean them every day, we will also be wiping down all tables chairs and furniture daily with disinfectant or anti-bacterial cleaner.

The floor will be mopped every day.

After snack and lunchtime all pre-school crockery and utensils will be cleaned in a solution of Milton.

We will be using the garden gate as our entrance at the start of each session, if the weather is fine the children can stay outside and play or staff will bring them inside and help them with their coats etc.

At the end of each session staff will help the children put their coats on and we will bring the children out to you at the front entrance, this way parents will not need to come inside the building.

If you need to speak to a member of staff it may be possible to do this but if we are too busy we will arrange for the staff member to ring you during lunch club.

HOW YOU CAN HELP US TO STOP THE SPREAD OF COVID 19

Please if possible keep a 2 metre distance from other families while waiting outside to come in if 2 metres is not possible please keep 1metre distance

If anyone in your household has symptoms of covid 19 please do not bring your child in to pre-school

Please send your child in clean clothes every day and bring a bag with spare clothes in just in case.

No toys or blankets from home to be brought into pre-school please

Only 1 adult to drop off and collect your child each day

If an adult needs to come inside and speak to a member of staff please wear a mask

Please help your child clean their hands with hand sanitiser brought from home as they come into pre-school