

The health and wellbeing of our children, families, staff and all visitors to the nursery is important to us. We are closely monitoring daily updates from the Department for Education and Public Health England. We remain open and all services are running as business as usual, however we will keep you updated should this change.

The Government have advised that people who have a new persistent cough, however mild, and/or a high temperature to stay at home for a period of fourteen calendar days. All family members need to remain at home for fourteen calendar days. Should another member of the family develop symptoms, they need to start a seven day isolation period, regardless of where the family are in the 14 day isolation period.

The Government has emphasised the importance of handwashing to prevent the spread of the virus. At nursery we are making sure that the children wash their hands or use gel after using the toilet and before eating their snack or lunch. We will be asking all children and adults to use hand sanitiser when they enter the building. We are trying to implement measures to keep children, families and staff safe.

Changes we have made so far:

- We have made the decision to remove play dough and water from the setting to reduce the spread of germs.
- We are cleaning door handles and surfaces once children are in the nursery and in-between sessions to try and prevent the spread of the virus.
- We are asking all adults and children to use hand sanitiser when they arrive. We encourage you to also use it when you leave.
- We are supporting children to wash their hands for longer

During this uncertain time, we are having to be flexible and change the way in which we work. Each day we anticipate there will be developments. In order to try and keep our children and all adults safe, we have to make some decisions that might appear to be drastic. We apologise if we cause any inconvenience, but hope you understand the reasons behind any decisions or changes.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to talk to me, or any member of the team.

Thank you in advance for your support