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Dear Parents / Carers,

Safety measures and systems have been put in place, in line with the Government's guidance, to protect our children and staff as far as possible from coronavirus.

It is crucial that we all stay alert to possible cases of coronavirus in our own households, and always act to prevent the possibility of spreading the disease to others.

We know that coming to nursery may cause anxiety, please remember that the latest medical evidence is that children and young people are less likely to develop symptoms or to become seriously unwell if they contract the virus.

We have robust measures in place to try to keep our nursery community safe from the virus as detailed in our rigorous risk assessment.

#### **Arrival / collection:**

In order to minimise the number of people on the nursery grounds we need to put the following procedures in place:

We need to stagger drop off and collection times.

#### **Three / four year olds – All children to enter and be collected at Green Room door**

##### **ALL DAY CHILDREN**

Children in **Green Room** will start nursery at 8.30am and need to be collected at 3.15pm.

Children in **Red Room** will start nursery at 8.45am and need to be collected at 3.30pm.

##### **MORNING CHILDREN**

Children in **Green Room** will start nursery at 8.30am and need to be collected at 11.15am.

Children in **Red Room** will start nursery at 8.45am and need to be collected at 11.30am.

## **AFTERNOON CHILDREN**

Children in **Green Room** will start nursery at 12.30pm and need to be collected at 3.15pm.

Children in **Red Room** will start nursery at 12.45pm and need to be collected at 3.30pm.

## **Two year olds – all children to enter and be collected at Two's door**

## **MORNING CHILDREN**

Children will start nursery at 8.30am and need to be collected at 11.30am.

## **AFTERNOON CHILDREN**

Children will start nursery at 12.30pm and need to be collected at 3.30pm.

There will be a one way system in the nursery grounds – please enter through the pedestrian gate and leave through the carpark gate (this will be sign posted). Please observe social distancing and avoid congregating in one area.

We ask that only one adult accompanies each child to nursery to minimise congestion.

Please say goodbye to your child at the door, a member of staff will be waiting to take them to the classroom.

## **What to bring to nursery:**

Please make sure your child wears appropriate clothing and has a coat. Your child will also need to bring a draw string bag with spare clothes in. The bag should contain one pair of trousers, one pair of underwear, one pair of socks and one spare t shirt. This bag will stay at nursery on your child's peg.

## **Face coverings:**

You must wear a face covering when entering the school grounds.

There is no need to provide your child with a face covering.

The Government have stated that 'primary school children will not need to wear a face covering... face coverings would have a negative impact on teaching and their use in the classroom should be avoided'.

## **What happens if my child is unwell?**

**If your child displays any symptoms of C-19, (new continuous cough, high temperature, a loss of, or change to their normal sense of taste or smell), please DO NOT send your child into school and call the school office to explain the circumstances. You are encouraged to obtain a test, and inform the school as soon as possible of the result. If your child tests positive, they will need to self-isolate for 10 days. If the nursery is notified of a positive case, we will seek advice as to whether we need to close. The nursery will treat any information confidentially.**

Please keep the school fully informed.

If your child develops symptoms of C-19 whilst in nursery, they will be isolated in a separate room under adult supervision and you will be asked to collect your child immediately and get them tested, (NHS.uk/coronavirus or call 119). You will need to inform the nursery of the result at the earliest opportunity.

Normal absence procedures apply for sickness, diarrhoea, chicken pox etc. Please remember to call the nursery office by 9.30am, on the morning of the absence.

**Parental involvement:**

Sadly, we need to minimise parental involvement, at least for the remainder of this term. Parents will not be allowed onto site. Only essential visitors will be admitted.

We hope that the above information will give you reassurance that we are doing everything possible to give your child a happy and safe learning environment.

Best Wishes

The Tunstall Team