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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Updated Coronavirus Guidance**

Welcome to the Autumn term! We are looking forward to sharing lots of wonderful teaching and learning experiences with your children this term.

As you will be aware, COVID guidance changed on the 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021 and I would just like to take a moment to explain what we have in place to make sure our Nursery School community stays as safe as possible. Apologies if this seems a very long letter, but I do want you to feel reassured that we are doing all we can to keep us all safe.

- The Nursery School are now one bubble together, which means that staff and children can access all areas of the Nursery School.
- Those under 18 years and 6 months are no longer required to self-isolate if they come into contact with a positive coronavirus case – unless they are symptomatic or test positive. If we have a positive case in either Big Nursery or Little Nursery we will let you know, and recommend that your child take a PCR test. You may also wish to consider twice weekly LFT testing for your child.
- Should your child test positive on a lateral flow test, they will need to take a PCR test. Should this also be positive, your child will need to self-isolate for 10 days. Please let us know if this is the case.
- We continue to ask parents/carers not to come onto site until the start and end of your child's session, to avoid congestion at the front of the building. Big Nursery will continue to come round the side of the building via the Nursery gate at the start and end of sessions, Little Nursery are asked to wait outside the front of the building, Reception staff will then welcome you in to access your session or collect your child.
- Children will continue to say goodbye to parents at the door of their classroom – staff have observed that this leads to a much calmer and productive start of session. Adults in the Nursery classrooms will support any children who find separation from their parent/carer a little tricky.
- Face coverings may still be worn by parents – particularly if you come into Reception. Government guidance expects and recommends that they are worn in enclosed and crowded spaces where you may come into contact with people you don't normally meet. Staff may wear a face mask in certain situations if this is felt to be required.

- We shall continue with our good practice of handwashing and making sure the classrooms are well ventilated. As is our usual practice, much of our teaching and learning will take place outdoors – please dress your child appropriately each day.
- Staff in the Nursery School will continue to socially distance from each other but recognise that children will not be able to do this.
- Please do not send your child to Nursery School if they are at all unwell – children who are unwell are unable to engage effectively in learning experiences and may be sharing germs with others. The usual childhood bugs are still making children feel poorly, as well as the COVID virus. If staff feel that your child is unwell whilst at Nursery School, they will ask you to come and collect them.
- If you feel at all unwell yourself please do not come onto site, and arrange for somebody else to drop off or collect your child. Please let Nursery know who this will be.
- We have an Outbreak Management Plan in place should we have an ‘outbreak’ of COVID-19 in the Nursery School. A local outbreak is defined as two or more linked cases within a 14-day period:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-epidemiological-definitions-of-outbreaks-and-clusters>

Should this happen, we will liaise with Warwickshire County Council and Public Health England to consider what additional measures identified on our outbreak plan that may need to be put into place, such as the temporary re-introduction of small class bubbles.

I hope that this information is reassuring for you. Should you wish to discuss any of the above or have any queries or wish to share information with us, please do not hesitate to contact the Nursery School on 02476 383708, or email us at [parents1041@welearn365.com](mailto:parents1041@welearn365.com)

Kind regards

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