

Seedlings Kindergarten

Coronavirus Threat Response Plan

In response to the current outbreak of coronavirus the government have issued guidelines for childcare settings to adhere to in order to help prevent the spread of the virus.

In regard to this I have drawn up the following plan based on guidance from Public Health England.

All families are required to read and adhere to the following:

- Please see the poster provided by Public Health England for advice on how to stop coronavirus spreading and follow the advice.
- On arrival at kindergarten all staff will wash their hands thoroughly with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- On arrival at kindergarten please take your child/ren into the toilet area (through the outside door which will be unlocked) and assist them to wash their hands thoroughly with soap and water for 20 seconds. You may then bring your children to the cloakroom door where a member of staff will receive them.
- Adults and children, please DO NOT use the toilets at this time.
- Please do not send your child to kindergarten if they have symptoms of coronavirus.
- Parents or carers should not come to kindergarten for drop off or pick up if they have symptoms of coronavirus.
- If a child shows symptoms of coronavirus at kindergarten we will contact a parent or carer to collect them.
- If a member of staff shows symptoms of coronavirus during a kindergarten session then all parents will be contacted and asked to collect their children.
- If a member of staff is required to self-isolate then cover will be sought. If cover is not available then the kindergarten will close for that period of time.
- If a child or a member of staff is known to have contracted coronavirus the kindergarten will close for one week for a deep clean, as specified by Public Health England.
- Staff at Seedlings will continue to adhere to the guidelines given by Public Health England to prevent the spread of coronavirus, including frequent and thorough hand washing and keeping the kindergarten clean.
- As this is a changing situation we will continue to monitor the government advice given for early years settings and will update you accordingly.
- PLEASE DO NOT DISCUSS CORONAVIRUS WITH YOUR CHILD. The children will soon accept the new routine at kindergarten and do not need to be burdened with knowledge of the coronavirus, which they may find frightening.

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