

# Covid-19 Policy

Bolnore Village Preschool aims to provide care for healthy children and endeavor to prevent cross infection of viruses and bacterial infections and promote health through identifying symptoms which may be signs of Covid-19 and following government guidelines to ensure all children and staff are safe at all times. Please note this policy will change in accordance with government guidelines whenever these changes take place. This policy DOES NOT replace our Health and Safety policy. This policy is for Covid-19 only.

## Procedures for children with symptoms of Covid-19

- If a child appears unwell throughout the day, for example high temperature, persistent cough we will call parents and ask one parent to collect their child from the preschool setting
- During the time of a child presenting symptoms of Covid-19 a staff member will isolate with the child until the parent arrives. If the staff member must wear appropriate PPE.
- All children and adults are now able to have testing for Covid-19. If a symptomatic child tests positive, they must isolate for 10 days. Isolation may terminate on day 6 if they have a negative lateral flow on day 5 and day 6.
- Thorough cleaning of the Preschool will take place daily
- Government guidance will be followed accordingly

## Hygiene procedures

- Outdoor learning will take place as much as possible
- Hand washing/antibac will be carried out prior to staff and children entering the premises
- Temperature checks will be carried out only if a child presents as unwell.
- Children will be hand washing regularly.
- Used tissues to be placed in the bin and children and staff will be encouraged to sneeze into a tissue and throw straight into the bin
- A daily cleaning schedule is to be carried out regularly along side daily risk assessments and Covid-19 risk assessment
- All children have staggered drop off and pick up times where possible
- Any maintenance people must be given permission prior to coming into the premises and wear a mask.

- Windows should be opened as much as safely possible throughout the day to ventilate the premises
- Bolnore Village preschool will not allow visitors or parent helpers into the Preschool without prior arrangement and when they do enter the preschool they must sanitize their hands, wear a mask and do a lateral flow test.

### Stopping the spread of the virus

- Outdoor learning continues to take place as much as possible. The hall must be well ventilated
- Staff and children to conduct regular handwashing (for 20 seconds)
- Contaminated waste must be double bagged and disposed of outside.
- If staff leave the premises during work time they must wash their hands thoroughly.
- Home visits for new starters were canceled however they will be reinstated as of September 2022 unless the guidance changes once again
- Staggered drop off and collection times remain to reduce overcrowding
- Parent chats have been reinstated but social distancing and adequate ventilation.