

CORONAVIRUS – PROCEDURES:

Any children which are to attend the setting:

- Parents and carers are not permitted to enter any of the building's
- Children are to remove footwear outside the building and place in the plastic box outside the front door.
- Children and staff will hand wash as per the guidelines upon entry of the building.
- Any unnecessary items such as toys from home etc – must not be brought in.
- If you have a spare cuddly or blanket and it is possible to leave at setting this would be appreciated. We understand this isn't always possible.
- If your child has an existing cough/cold we ask that you do not return to Nursery for 14 days.

This is a responsible approach to protect all of my families and my staff so please adhere to the guidelines which are set.

<p>Childcare Provider: Felicity's Fledglings</p>	<p>Establishment Risk Assessment</p>	<p>RA100</p>
<p>Address: 12 Trinity street, Barnstaple Devon, EX32 8HX</p>		
<p>Staff, Children & Visitors Visitors and staff must not attend if they are displaying symptoms of covid. Hands should be sanitised/wash upon entry to the building, Footwear removed. Visitors must wear a mask. Contact details must be given.</p>	<p>Date assessment completed: May 21</p> <p>This document is to remain under constant review due to the fast-changing nature of DfE / Government guidance in response to the challenges posed by Covid-19.</p>	
<p>Return to childcare risk assessment – based on the principles and guidance contained within DfE Guidance: Coronavirus (COVID-19): covid-19 guidance for schools and other-educational settings covid-19 implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings covid-19 early years and childcare closures</p> <p>This risk assessment is generic and each childcare provider is responsible for reviewing and amending to ensure it is applicable to their setting. This risk assessment should be read alongside Devon guidance Early Years-reopening 1st June. Guidance for Early Years Settings on Re-Opening 1 June 2020</p>	<p>Manager</p>	

Significant Hazard Section	Control measures in place <i>Additional measures or actions not included in this column below should be put in the assessor's recommendations at the end of this document</i>
Movement of persons around the setting	
Entrance and exit to childcare setting causing people to congregate compromising social distancing.	<i>Stagger drop-off and collection times. Plan this and provide information to parents. Discourage parents from gathering together and implement social distancing. Anxious Children to be dropped in playground (one family at a time). Entry for toddlers through reception door, entry for babies through external fire exit direct into babies. Strictly no parent to enter building.</i>
Travel & Outings	Outings resumed. Currently not using the bus. Sanitising Gel to be carried. Hands to be washed upon arrival back to setting.
Overcrowding in Playrooms & corridors	<i>Activities / tables to be spaced as far apart as possible. Set out playroom where possible to ensure access to outside space and their age appropriate equipment and resources. Keep well ventilated ensuring heating is kept to a minimal temperature.</i>
Increased numbers during breaks compromising social distancing.	<i>Use secondary play Room / Flat for Staff Breaks. Children to be sat spaced out if possible.</i>
Increased numbers during lunchtime compromising social distancing.	<i>Increased hand washing, tables spaced where necessary. Lunch to be taken in normal groups.</i>
Spread of virus due to increased numbers of people within the building.	<i>Only pre-arranged visits are allowed to enter the building. Parents are dropping off from external doors.</i>
Inadequate social distancing measures leading to spread of the virus.	<i>Staff are set to their group / room of children.</i>
Premises related matters	
Changes to building use being safe for pupils & staff – e.g. storage, one-way systems, floor tape.	<i>Review your settings risk assessment , to ensure control measures remain suitable and in place. Update risk assessments to include COVID-19 and any changes that have been necessary (e.g. handwashing, one-way systems, allocation of specific areas). Consider how the layout will enable access to outdoor space, Consider how changes will impact on arrangements such as safe fire evacuation routes (see below).</i>

First Aid procedures – Reduced numbers of first aiders and Paediatric first aider.	<i>Review First Aid procedures. Rota systems in place to ensure adequate numbers of PFA trained staff. Communication of first aid arrangements cascaded to staff daily.</i>
Fire Procedures	<i>Review the fire procedures taking into consideration any changes made to the layout, and the impact this may have on fire evacuation and escape routes. Ensure that testing and monitoring regimes are in place for fire detection and alarm systems, fire extinguishers and that any interim arrangements (such as doors propped open where necessary to reduce hand contact), are managed so that they do not compromise fire protection (and security) measures. Review where required fire evacuation routes and assembly points to ensure that social distancing guidelines are being met.</i>
Water hygiene – management of legionella (Where appropriate)	<i>Review the water hygiene management plan. Ensure that agreed regimes for flushing and monitoring of temperatures have been maintained throughout any period of closure / partial opening. Where regimes have not been maintained ensure that cleaning and disinfection has taken place prior to reoccupation as per government guidance Managing school premises during the coronavirus outbreak (and NPS guidance: Water Hygiene Management during Covid-19 Lockdown))</i>
Using and monitoring new practices to reduce risk of Covid-19 transmission	<i>Training of all staff via briefing prior to start – to include contents of this RA, alternative layouts and any changes to fire evacuation routes, use of PPE, cleaning arrangements, location of designated room for suspected cases. Daily morning and end of the day briefings. Managers must monitor arrangements throughout the day and make remedial actions where needed. Ensure there are opportunities for all employees to raise concerns / make suggestions. Review Setting Policies & Procedures Including Safeguarding. To include Covid-19.</i>
Staff rooms and offices to comply with social distancing and safe working practice	<i>Numbers of people reduced at one time on a rota to allow social distancing – chairs removed/placed apart. Avoiding unnecessary gatherings. Where possible reduce the use of communal / shared facilities such as tea and coffee facilities and encourage staff to bring their own food and utensils. Enhanced cleaning regimes as per below. Lunch with children and outside breaks taken alone/</i>
Ventilation to reduce spread	<i>Open windows and prop doors open, where safe to do so (bearing in mind fire safety, security and safeguarding). Where mechanical ventilation is present, recirculatory systems should be adjusted to full fresh air. If mechanical ventilation systems cannot be adjusted to full fresh air these should be switched off. Ventilation to chemical stores should remain operational</i>
Management of waste	<i>Ensure bins for tissues have lids and are emptied throughout the day. Follow guidance on disposal of waste (such as used fluid resistant masks) Safe-working in education childcare and childrens social care including the use of PPE</i>
Activities to take place outdoors in line with social distancing.	<i>Decide which activities can take place outdoors and refresh risk assessment for outdoor space</i>
Cleaning and reducing contamination	
Contaminated surfaces spreading virus.	<i>Remove unnecessary items from playrooms and other learning environments where there is space to store it elsewhere. Regular cleaning.</i>

	<p><i>Sand, water & messy play needs to be single use only,</i></p> <p><i>Books can be wiped with anti bacterial spray or wipes. Minimise toys to make cleaning regimes easier, if toys don't wash easily or clean easily don't use them.</i></p> <p><i>Follow government cleaning guidance if a someone becomes ill with suspected COVID-19 at the setting setting Safe-working in education childcare and childrens social care including the use of PPE</i></p>
Using play equipment – multiple-use	<i>Appropriately cleaned between sessions.</i>
Shared resources and equipment increasing spread	<i>Prevent the sharing of stationery and other equipment where possible Suitable procedures in place for managing access to items of 'heavy use' such as IT equipment tablets etc to reduce social distancing. Enhanced cleaning regimes. Limit use of equipment staff to sign children in and out.</i>
Cleaning staff and hygiene contractor's capacity - providing additional requirements	<i>Discuss with cleaning staff the additional cleaning requirements & allow for this. Ensure cleaning products being used are suitable and that adequate supplies of cleaning materials are available. See Safe-working in education childcare and childrens social care including the use of PPE and Covid-19 decontamination in non healthcare settings.</i>
Sufficient handwashing facilities for staff and children.	<i>Where a sink is not nearby, provide supervised access to hand sanitiser in the learning environments. Plan in regular access to facilities throughout the day. Provide additional sinks where possible.</i>
Additional time for staff and children to carry out handwashing	<i>Frequent hand cleaning as part of normal routine. Stagger regular access to handwashing facilities through the day.</i>
Handwashing practice with children	<i>Review the guidance on hand cleaning and introduce handwashing songs for children. Ensure that help is available for children and young people who have trouble cleaning their hands independently. See guidance and resources available at: e-bug Information about the Coronavirus</i>
Sufficient supplies of soap and cleaning products	<i>Discuss with suppliers and contractors to ensure sufficient supplies and deliveries. Use regular detergents and bleach. Review COSHH assessments (RA05) and implement additional controls required where there has been any change in products.</i>
Toilets being overcrowded	<i>Limit the number of children who use the toilet facilities at one time. Visiting the toilet one after the other if necessary. Toilets should be cleaned after each use.</i>
Staff related issues	
Inadequate training for Managers on completion of RA for covid-19, leading to anxiety and lack of the reassurance needed for staff	<i>Guidance, risk assessment and checklist provided to Childcare Providers support will be via you Early Years & Childcare Adviser.</i>
Insufficient staff capacity to deal with increased numbers of children - Shortage of staff to maintain EYFS ratios	<i>If there are any shortages of staff, use the DfE list to prioritise who is offered a place based on staff availability. Follow the EYFS for staff ratios.</i>

Anxiety levels of staff and community causing breakdown in staffing ratios, compromising group sizes.	<i>Talk to staff about (or where not possible put in writing) the plans (for example, safety measures, timetable changes and staggered arrival and departure times), including discussing whether training would be helpful. If appropriate, seek GP or occupational health advice</i>
Staff understanding of new changes – safe practice at the setting.	<i>Talk to & involve staff with the planning (for example, safety measures, timetable changes and staggered arrival and departure times).</i>
Accessing testing arrangements are clear for all staff	<i>Access to testing is already available to all essential workers Apply coronavirus test Antigen Tests are available in setting and should staff chose to test weekly there is a sufficient supply.</i>
Conditions for use of fluid resistant face mask and other equipment when dealing with a symptomatic child are clear and understood by staff.	<i>If a child, becomes unwell with symptoms of coronavirus while in the setting and needs direct personal care until they can return home a face mask should be worn by the supervising adult if a distance of 2 meters cannot be maintained. If contact with the child or young person is necessary, then gloves, an apron and a face mask should be worn by the supervising adult. If a risk assessment determines that there is a risk of splashing to the eyes, for example from coughing, spitting, or vomiting, then eye protection should also be worn Ensuring that fluid resistant face masks are available and a supply is maintained. Safe-working in education childcare and childrens social care including the use of PPE</i>
Assessment of all staff, including high risk staff with vulnerable / shielding family member, underlying health conditions or other risk factors.	<i>A risk assessment should be undertaken for clinically vulnerable staff, and where possible for all staff especially those who may be anxious, Guidance on shielding and protecting extremely vulnerable persons Guidance on shielding and protecting extremely-vulnerable persons from covid 19 and clinically vulnerable people Staying alert and safe social distancing clinically vulnerable people should also be followed when considering staffing arrangements.</i>
Staff use of PPE	<i>Children whose care routinely already involves the use of PPE due to their intimate care needs will continue to receive their care in the same way. Follow guidance covid-19 early years and childcare closures</i>
Use of PPE Lack of understanding	<i>Adequate training / briefing on use and safe disposal Follow guidance on putting on and taking off standard PPE Covid 19 personal protective-equipment use for non aerosol generating procedures and above guidance on use in education settings.</i>
Dealing with suspected and confirmed cases / cases	<i>Follow government guidance on what happens if someone becomes ill and what happens if there is a confirmed case of coronavirus in a setting covid-19 implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings <i>Ensure accurate records of staff and pupils are maintained to enable public health contact tracking and test regimes.</i></i>
Child related issues	
Vulnerable groups who are clinically, extremely vulnerable.	<i>Parents should follow medical advice if their child is in this category: Guidance on shielding and protecting extremely vulnerable persons from covid 19 guidance on protecting people most-likely to get-unwell from coronavirus,shielding young peoples or if someone within their household is in this category Guidance on shielding and protecting extremely-vulnerable persons from covid 19</i>

Children with EHCP	<i>Complete risk assessment before attendance, for advice on Inclusion contact your Babcock Early Years Consultant.</i>
Staff Member / child becoming unwell with COVID-19	<i>If a child is awaiting collection, they will be moved to an area where they can be isolated behind a closed door, depending on the age of the child and with appropriate adult supervision. Ideally, a window should be opened for ventilation. If it is not possible to isolate them, move them to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people. Allocate a suitable room for this purpose and communicate intentions to staff. Ensure suitable PPE (including fluid resistant face mask) is available at this location. Location one: Preschool Thinking room Location two: Nursery Toddler room</i>
Transport	
Travel to setting and provision of safe transport:	<i>Consider transport arrangements and where possible encourage parents and children to walk or cycle to the setting where possible.</i>
School Transport arrangements support changes to school times	<i>Liaising with the School Transport Team before change are made. Follow government guidance Guidance working safely during covid-19 vehicles</i>
Provision of food	
Kitchen facilities comply with latest Covid19 guidance to reduce risk of infection/contamination	<i>Follow usual food safety and hygiene procedures and Government guidance for catering establishments Guidance/working safely during covid-19/restaurants offering takeaway or delivery . Ensure Health & Safety policies are followed</i>
Food that is able to be prepared on premises is compliant with Covid - 19 health and hygiene guidance	<i>As above</i>
Catering staff are operating in a safe environment	<i>Catering staff to follow government Guidance/working safely during covid-19/restaurants offering takeaway or delivery</i>
Communications with parents and others	
Parents, contractors and other staff entering or working in the setting.	<i>Tell parents, carers or any visitors, such as suppliers, not to enter the childcare setting if they are displaying any symptoms of coronavirus. Inform all visitors, suppliers, and contractors that only pre-arranged calls will be allowed on site. Publish a site telephone number in case of immediate access is required.</i>
Suppliers understanding and complying with new arrangements	<i>Discuss new arrangements with suppliers and deliveries to be arranged for quiet times or outside setting hours</i>

Communications to parents and staff	<i>Regular communications, update emergency contact details for all children.</i>
Parent aggression due to anxiety and stress.	<i>Tell parents their allocated drop off and collection times and the process for doing so, including protocols for minimizing adult to adult contact (for example, which entrance to use) to reduce anxiety.</i>

Manager/Owner Recommendations - Additional Control Measures or Actions			
Section	List Actions / Additional Control Measures	Date action to be carried out	Person Responsible

Signed: Manager / OwnerF Sluman Date 11th May 2021

The outcome of this assessment should be shared with the relevant staff.
A copy of the completed assessment to be kept on file and copied to the Health & Safety Co-ordinator.