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Covid-19 Policy

System of controls for managing Coronavirus symptoms and potential outbreaks.

Prevention

If your child is unwell with any coronavirus symptoms please do not send them to Forest School. We all have a duty to minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does or have been advised by NHS Test and Trace to self-isolate, do not attend our setting.

We are cleaning hands more often than usual – we wash hands thoroughly for 20 seconds with running water and soap and dry them thoroughly and use alcohol hand sanitiser ensuring that all parts of the hands are covered

We are ensuring good respiratory hygiene by promoting the ‘catch it, bin it, kill it’ approach

We are cleaning frequently touched surfaces more often than usual using anti viral detergent; see the guidance <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings>

We are asking parents and carers to socially distance at pickup and drop off and ask that you pickup and drop off quickly.

Response to any infection

If anyone including staff in our setting becomes unwell with one of:

- a new, continuous cough
- high temperature
- loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

they will be sent home and advised to follow the <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>.

If your child becomes unwell with any Coronavirus symptoms whilst at Forest School we will call you to take them home.

We will ask you to follow health guidance such as booking a test.

Where a child, young person or staff member develops symptoms compatible with coronavirus (COVID-19) but tests **negative**, they can return to the setting. If they remain unwell, they should not return to that setting until they are recovered.

What happens if we become aware of a case of Coronavirus

If we become aware of a confirmed case of Coronavirus at Forest school we will contact the Public Health England service, delivered by the NHS Business Services Authority.

We will manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) by following NHS advice as to whether our setting needs to close to contain any outbreak.

At all points we will be following local health protection team advice

Where a child, young person or staff member tests positive, NHS Test and Trace will speak directly to those they have been in contact with to offer advice. This advice may be that the rest of their group within the setting should be advised to self-isolate

To support NHS Test and Trace in reaching contacts, we keep a record of:

- children and staff in specific bubbles
- Test and Trace records are kept for at least 21 days.

Helpline

Coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline number 0800 046 8687 and select option 1. The advice service is open Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm and Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm.

The call will be with a dedicated team of advisors who will inform us of what action is needed based on the latest public health advice. They will work through a risk assessment to identify close contacts.