

21<sup>st</sup> July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Cedars Nursery – from 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

As you are aware, the Department for Education (DfE) has provided a reviewed framework of protective measures that nurseries and schools must put in place for children and staff from September 2021. I am pleased to inform that Governors have now approved the Cedars' Operational Plan for September 2021.

**Nursery Day**

- ✚ 9:00am – 3:00pm (Full Day)
- ✚ 9:00am-12:00pm (Mornings)
- ✚ 12:00pm-3:00pm (Afternoons)

- ✚ The Nursery gate will open at the beginning of the day at 8:55am
- ✚ The Nursery gate will open in the middle of the day at 11:55am
- ✚ The Nursery gate will open at the end of the day at 2:55pm.

**Entry and Exit**

Children and Parents to enter and exit via main the Nursery gate entrance only (Bury Street).

**Human and Physical Hygiene and Sanitisation**

The following will be in place and followed:

- ✚ All children will wash their hands upon entry to the nursery at the start of the session and after outside learning time. They will also wash prior to going home. Washing hands before and after lunch as usual too!
- ✚ All tables and chairs will be wiped with disinfectant spray before and after lunchtime.
- ✚ If a child sneezes or coughs, the area will be wiped with disinfectant spray and we will ask the child to wash their hands. We will be promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach. All tissues will be placed in lidded bins.
- ✚ All doors will be propped open and windows will be open if not too cold for the children.
- ✚ Internal corridor doors and handles will be wiped with disinfectant spray between 11am-1pm in additional to cleaning contractors.

**Symptom Management**

On no account is any child to be sent into Cedars with

- ✚ a persistent dry cough
- ✚ any indication that they may have a temperature
- ✚ or a loss, or change in, normal sense of smell or taste

Any child presenting with symptoms will be taken to the Medical Room Area where they will be initially isolated. In medical isolation the following will happen:

- ✚ with a non-contact thermometer, the child's temperature will be taken and recorded on a log



- ✚ if the child's temperature exceeds the government guidance of 37.8°C then home will be notified
- ✚ arrangements will be made for the child to be kept away from their peers until such time that they are collected. Parents will be informed this must be promptly.

Arrangements will also be made for the child's table and chair to be disinfected and cleaned.

Children sent home with symptoms whilst attending Cedars, will isolate at home and you will be advised to follow the **PHE Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.** Parents should inform school if the child tests positive for COVID-19.

If a child is sent home with COVID-19 symptoms the Headteacher/Deputy Head will inform parents of the children who are in the bubble group and advise them accordingly.

If any child tests positive, the Headteacher/Deputy Head will inform parents and explain the next steps.

### **Contingency planning for outbreaks**

In line with government guidance, please see our Outbreak Management Plan which can be found on our website.

### **General**

Please can you:

- ✚ provide your child with only essential resources in a bag e.g. Lunch Box, change of clothes and a refillable water bottle that is taken home each day for washing

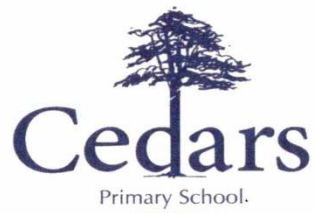
If you have any questions, please contact the school office before the end of term. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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*'We want every child to be happy, caring and successful.'*



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