



Covid Outbreak Management Plan

Links to Legislation and Guidance

- People with symptoms of a respiratory infection including COVID-19: UK
- Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage DfE 2021

Policy Statement

At Busy Bees we are keen to move forwards with managing life with COVID. We openly encourage the vaccine programme to all who are eligible and will maintain the hygiene standards that we have throughout the pandemic.

Within this policy we will highlight the latest guidance set by the Government and The Department for Education and aim to guide you through what to do if you have COVID symptoms or have had a positive test.

How we plan to minimise the spread of COVID at Busy Bees

- Parents will continue to drop off and collect from outside the front door.
- Maintain good hand hygiene
- Maintain good cleaning regimes
- Continue to keep our rooms well ventilated classrooms

What to do if you display symptoms

Although it is no longer a legal requirement to isolate if you have COVID symptoms or a positive result, the advice is still that you should avoid contact with others.

Therefore:

- If you display COVID symptoms and are unwell, you should try to avoid contact with others.
- If you take a test and it is negative you can return to setting.
- If it is positive you should continue with your 10 day isolation or take a lateral flow test on day 5 and again on day 6 and if these are both negative you can return immediately on day 6.
- Staff who test positive will be expected to isolate.

Link below for further details:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19>

Extra action if number of cases within the setting increases

- If more than 10% of the setting test positive for COVID we may consider taking further action and might even consider closing the setting if we do not have enough staff to open or it feels unsafe to do so.
- With every decision we will work with families to do the best thing for everyone.
- Closing the setting will always be the absolute last resort and we will do all we can to remain open.
- If closing or reducing capacity is needed we will prioritise all vulnerable families first, followed by our children going to school in September.

Pregnant and Vulnerable People

We will risk assess these as and when applicable, and as always work with the individual to ensure they feel happy and safe.