



## Renfrew Street Nursery

15<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear Parents



### **Covid-19 Safety Reminders – Please read carefully**

As we come towards the end of the year, I am writing to remind all parents and carers of what you need to do to keep our nursery community safe. Please ensure you follow all of our requirements.

### **The most important safety measure is to**

### **STOP COVID-19 FROM COMING INTO NURSERY**

To do this you need to:

**Keep children at home if they have symptoms of a cough, a high temperature or a change in or loss of sense of taste or smell, or if anyone in your household has these symptoms.**

Even if symptoms are mild, you cannot know if it is COVID-19 unless you get a test. Don't take the risk please! You can book a test on the nhs.inform website (<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19/test-and-protect/coronavirus-covid-19-testing/>). If you do not get tested, then your child needs to remain off nursery for 10 full days from when their symptoms first started. Let us know if your child has a negative test result and they can return to nursery at that time.

It is also important that you let us know about symptoms, even if they don't start in nursery – please phone and tell us! Any positive cases may affect other families and staff who had contact with your child in the days before.

**Please wear a face covering when dropping and collecting your child. We also prefer where possible that only 1 parent/carer comes along for drop-off and collection. You must keep 2 metres from others at drop off and collection time**

We do not allow parents to come inside nursery at present. The main exception is when children need support of a parent to settle in. In this case we need parents to wear a face covering. Please be patient when dropping off and collecting – it can take several minutes to support children to put their jackets on and wash hands. There may be other parents waiting too.

**Please do not send toys from home into nursery with children**

This presents a risk of contamination from home. We will ask children to put toys away in their bag or up on a shelf away from general usage. It is best to not bring any toys from home at all. If you feel that your child needs to bring a teddy to help them feel secure, then please speak with Steve or Sharon first.

**Please try and hand in toy fund money in an envelope or money bag**

This reduces the risk of cross contamination.

**Gifts and presents for staff and for other children are very much appreciated but please don't feel you have to give any gifts.**

Your kind words at this time are just as welcome. If you do send in any gifts such sweets, biscuits or shared foods for nursery children, please be aware that they should be individually wrapped as we cannot share from open tins.

**If you are travelling abroad, please follow the required quarantine arrangement and let us know**

Many countries now require 10 days quarantine after return from travel

**STOP COVID-19 FROM COMING BACK HOME FROM NURSERY**

**Nursery staff will ensure children have washed their hands or used hand sanitiser before coming home**

**Please use the hand sanitiser before pressing the door buzzer**

**Please keep to 2 metres physical distancing outside from other adults when waiting for collect or drop off your child**

We are all looking forward to lovely celebrations for children this week and I wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Yours Sincerely



Steve Rivers – Head of Nursery