



Dreams Nursery and Daycare

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Guidance :

Actions for early years and childcare providers during the corona-virus (COVID-19) outbreak. Updated 04th January 2021

Dear Parent/Carers,

We hope you have had a restful and peaceful Christmas break despite the current unprecedented circumstances. This letter is to update you with the latest recommendations Dreams Nursery will be following in line with government COVID19 guidelines actions for Early Years settings.

Dreams Nursery:

All staff at Dreams settings have undertaken the COVID19 test and have provided the results to the management team as negative to ensure the safety of all staff, children and the parents in our care. As of the reason above we may have an absence of staff. This may cause us to have to delay the starting or attendance of your child. If this is the case we will call you and let you know as soon as possible.

All children will be welcomed to their respective settings as parents and carers can continue to access early years provision as normal from 6th January 2021.

Will continue to supporting the learning and development of - and caring for - children who attend the setting, as set out in the early years foundation stage (EYFS) framework

In the case of vulnerable children, particularly those with social workers will continue to encourage these children to attend regularly

If your child has any health issues and is vulnerable to coronavirus please keep them shielding at home as per government guidance.

Will continue with the implementation of the system controls for (COVID-19). The setting already has in place cleaning routines throughout the day in addition to a permanent Cleaner that also cleans the setting on a daily basis.

Early years settings are not required to keep children in small, consistent groups within settings - they can have normal group sizes. In our setting that has two floors the children will not be mixing to avoid large groups mixing together as much as possible.

We will also ensure that mixed age groups irrespective of age will be kept in small consistent groups of no more than 15. Each group must be with at least three staff members, or relevant ratio requirements.

Employer health and safety Risk Assessments

Dreams Nursery will continue to maintain high risk assessment measures to minimise the risks of transmission. This includes continuing to observe good hand and respiratory hygiene routines and cleanliness for the setting at all times.

All staff members and parents are required to wear a face mask when collecting and dropping off the children in our care and this is a requirement and if a parent is not adherent with the government guidelines (Exempt medical conditions – Card should be shown), refusal to take the child in will be exercise.

The management team will be closely monitoring the well-being of all of the Childcare Practitioners

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that attend the settings to ensure the staff is fit to work at all times.

Any staff, parent or child displaying the COVID19 symptoms must inform the nursery management team as soon as possible and undertake the COVID19 test and follow the isolation process as per government guidelines.

The nursery management team will continue to keep a close eye with the government guidelines and will update you as necessary. The Nursery will continue to work closely and follow the guidelines given by the Early Years Advisory team from Enfield Council.

For further guidance this information has been depicted from the following government website.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/schools-and-childcare-settings-return-in-january-2021/schools-and-childcare-settings-return-in-january-2021>

I hope you all have a peaceful, safe and prosperous New Year in 2021.

With our very best wishes,
Dreams Management Team