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Dear Parents/Carers

## **January Returning Children**

We hope you have had a lovely holiday break – we are looking forward to welcoming you back on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January! To support our Covid-19 Workplace Risk Assessment in light of the surge of cases of Covid-19 over the last couple of weeks, could we please remind parents/carers of the following:

- We ask that only one parent/carer drops off and collects their child to minimise the number of adults on site at any one time.
- Parents/carers are requested to wear face coverings when onsite indoors and we would advise the use of a face covering for outdoors as well, unless medically exempt.
- In Big Nursery, now that we have more children accessing provision, the side gate will be open from 8.50am in the morning to ensure we are keeping the numbers of adults onsite to a minimum.
- Please only bring your child to session if they are completely well. Children who are feeling
  unwell with any illness will be unable to access their session effectively and are best at home.
- If your child becomes unwell during session, we will of course telephone you and ask you to collect them.
- If you child is a close contact of a confirmed case of Covid-19, please see the following updated Government Guidance:

'Children under 5 are not being advised to take part in daily testing of close contacts. If a child under 5 is a contact of a confirmed case, they are not required to self-isolate and should not start daily testing. If they live in the same household as someone with Covid-19 they should limit their contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with Covid-19, and arrange to take a PCR test as soon as possible.'

 Following the guidance above, if your child lives in the same household as someone infected with Covid-19 and you do not wish your child to take a PCR test, they will need to self-isolate for 10 days.

The difference between a Polymerase Chain Reaction test (PCR) and a Lateral Flow Test (LFT)

Both a PCR and LFT require a swab to be taken from the nose and throat.

The PCR is used for those who are experiencing symptoms and the swab is analysed in a lab.

A lateral flow test is used for those not experiencing symptoms, the swab is done at home and the result is given within 30 minutes.

Our procedures will be reviewed on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January, when the Government will review the Plan B regulations, which are currently in place.

Kind regards

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