

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Risk assessment

<p>Establishment: Learning Curve Nursery Group</p>	<p>Assessment by: Anne Smithen</p>	<p>Date completed: 18th May 2020</p>
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Focus	Area of consideration	Safety measures in place	Risk level
Workforce	Attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff to be vigilant on health and stay off work if unwell. 	Green
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff who have any symptoms must tell the manager if booking a COVID 19 test and not return until a) a negative result is achieved or b) the required isolation period has been completed and are symptom free. 	Green
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff are expected to follow social distancing guidelines. 	Green
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular risk assessments updated in line with government guidance. 	Green
	Staffing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration is given to limiting the number of staff in the nursery rooms at any one time to only those required 	Green

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff are expected to wash their hands and children's regularly throughout the day. • Tablets, laptops, computers, phones to be cleaned regularly 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Workforce	Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practitioners to receive clear communication regarding the role they play in safe operating procedures and all measures being taken to ensure the safety of the children, themselves, and their team members. • Practitioners to receive a copy of risk assessment documents before return. A copy will be displayed in the staffroom and a copy will be retained in the Risk Assessment file (stored in the office) • Planning meetings are to take place in own rooms- staff are to social distance in all meetings • Full staff team meetings will continue to take place via zoom. • All staff must continue to receive training in infection control. • Training evaluations to be completed by all staff upon return to work 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Workforce	Wellbeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff to be supported to manage stress and anxiety (both those who have continued working and those who are returning to work) through regular supervisions, access to counsellor, counsellor information displayed in staff room • Follow government guidance to support staff who are struggling with stress and anxiety 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>

		<p>Toddlers will have their hands washed with wash cloth and soap</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With the exception of comforters, children are not permitted to bring in toys/ teddy bears etc to the nursery. • Encourage children to avoid touching their face, eyes, nose and mouth. • On arrival at the nursery, it is reasonable to ask if parents, children or any member of the household have any of the symptoms of COVID-19 (high temperature or a persistent cough). If the answer is yes, the child will not be allowed to attend. The child cannot return until a negative test result has been confirmed and an agreed return has been arranged with the nursery, or current isolation guidelines have been followed • Parents to be mindful of drop off and collection times, where possible avoid peak times • All children coming to the setting should avoid all non-essential public transport travel, and outside of setting hours, follow national guidelines for social interaction. • Any child who displays signs of a persistent cough will be refused and advised to isolate along with members of their household. • Nursery will administer Calpol as a pain relief, however, if a child has symptoms of COVID and the parent has been notified to collect their child from the setting, we will administer the relevant dose with parent permission. 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Potential Amber</p> <p>Amber</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
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Children	Physical distancing/ Grouping of children and staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's sessions will be organised into age room bubbles. • Care routines including provision of snacks should be within the space allocated. • Outdoor spaces- Babies and Toddlers/ Lower Pre and Preschool can access the outdoor provision and have designated gardens. • Social distancing impossible with young children, however, staff are to social distance where possible within rooms. • Staff to social distance during staggered breaks/ lunches and to use separate rooms, toilets where possible. 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children	Sleep times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All sleep mats/ cot mattresses MUST be cleaned after each use using anti-bacterial spray and left to dry before storing • Children to bring own bedding in from home- if no bedding provided, use spare bedding to be used and put straight for the wash after use. Clean 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>

		is unavoidable, they should be thoroughly cleaned in between	
Children	Children's wellbeing, education and self-care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children should be supported to understand the changes and challenges they may be encountering as a result of COVID-19 and staff need to ensure they are aware of children's attachments and their need for emotional support at this time. Support children to understand and follow the new routines and expectations 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children and workforce	Toileting and cleaning up of accidents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children should be supported to be as independent as possible but know an adult is close by for support if needed. All children to be accompanied to bathrooms where necessary Children to visit the bathroom one at a time to allow staff to manage cleanliness Staff to wear appropriate PPE (aprons and gloves) when carrying out intimate care practices. Nappy procedure must be followed with regards to cleaning 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children and workforce	Food preparation, snack and lunches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children are to be spaced out as much as possible during mealtimes Staff and Children MUST wash hands before preparing or eating in nursery (baby and toddlers to use a washcloth with soap) Staff and children MUST wash hands and faces with soap after eating Children in baby and toddler room to use wash cloths and soap to wash hands after mealtimes and cloths for faces. 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children must NOT self-serve their snack. • Water stations will not be in use, staff MUST ensure that children are offered water regularly to avoid dehydration. • Drinks MUST be poured by staff • All pots from mealtimes must be washed in the kitchen. • Water cups can be washed in the room using the designated washing up bowl only and dried with a clean tea towel. • Individually wrapped tea, coffee and sugar sachets have been provided in the staff room 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children and workforce	If a child presents with symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a child begins displaying a continuous cough or a high temperature, they should be sent home to isolate per the guidelines. • A child awaiting collection should be moved to the isolation room where possible. If they need to go to the bathroom while waiting to be collected, the bathroom should be cleaned and disinfected using standard cleaning products before being used by anyone else. • The staff member responsible for the child during this time should be a staff member from their 'bubble' • If a member of staff has helped someone who displayed symptoms they do not need to go home unless they develop symptoms themselves. They should wash their hands thoroughly for 20 seconds after any contact with someone who is unwell. 	<p>Amber</p> <p>Amber</p> <p>Amber</p> <p>Amber</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correct PPE MUST always be worn, utilising isolation toolkit (located in the office). • Ensure the Isolation room is well ventilated- open windows • The isolation room must be thoroughly cleaned immediately • The person responsible for cleaning the isolation room must wear full PPE as per isolation toolkit • If a child or staff member tests negative, they can return to the setting and their household members can stop isolating 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children and workforce	Responding to a confirmed case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where a child or staff member tests positive, the rest of their group (bubble) should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 10 days. We would advise that these people should be tested. • The other household members of that group/ bubble do not need to self-isolate unless the child/staff member they live with in that group subsequently develop symptoms • A deep clean will be carried out in the room/ area that the bubble use. Full PPE must be worn (isolation toolkit) 	<p>Amber</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children and workforce	Emergency care- Ambulance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where possible, parents to be on site before ambulance leaves the setting • In the event a member of staff needs to go in the ambulance with a child, full isolation PPE must be worn (toolkit) 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children and workforce	First Aid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least one First Aider must always be on site • If First Aid is necessary for someone with suspected symptoms whilst 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>

		awaiting collection from the setting, staff must wear full PPE which is located in the isolation toolkit.	
Children and workforce	Children with health care plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settings and health care professionals need to work with individual children, and their families to identify and manage risks to support the care of the child and the safety of the setting. • Where a child has an existing education, health and care (EHC) plan, settings and local agencies can work together to update it as necessary, building on current processes in place. • For children, who do not have an EHC plan, a health assessment should be undertaken to determine levels of potential need and risk. 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children, workforce, parents, potential visitors	Supplies- procurement and monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management to monitor the usage of PPE to ensure a supply of stock is available to all who require it. • In the case the supply of food is interrupted, food alternatives will be made available for examples changes to menu 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>
Children, workforce, parents, potential visitors	Cleaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All door handles, doors, phones, bannisters etc must be wiped down minimum 2 times a day, and after each use where possible. • Equipment such as tablets, computers, phones and intercoms to be cleaned regularly throughout the day. • An enhanced cleaning schedule to be implemented • Management to monitor cleaning procedures • Important to ensure Staff toilets are cleaned at lunch and end of day 	<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bin lids are to be wiped clean regularly throughout the day 	Green
Children, workforce, parents, potential visitors	Waste disposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All waste must be disposed of in a hygienic and safe manner Tissues to be immediately disposed of in a lidded bin In the event of a child/ staff member exhibiting symptoms, waste must be doubled bagged and disposed of after 72 hours 	Green Potential amber Potential Amber
Parents	Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents to receive clear communication regarding the role they play in the safe operating procedure and measures being taken to ensure the safety of their children and themselves. Signage outside regarding social distancing (2 meters), hand sanitising, wearing of masks. 	Green Green
Visitors	Visits on site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance to the setting should be restricted to children and staff as far as practically possible and visitors should not be permitted to the nursery unless essential, for example, essential building maintenance, look arounds (which at present time will be at set times, they will not enter the nursery rooms and only one parent to attend.) Where essential visits are required these are required to maintain social distancing guidelines, face masks to be worn, hands to be sanitised and by appointment only- no open-door policy in place.0lo 	Green