CORONAVIRUS (COVID19) RISK ASSESSMENT

Establishment: St. Johns Sunshine Pre School

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Focus	Area of Consideration	Recommendation
Children	Attendance	 Parents to drop and pick up the children from inside the main door, please can we have a maximum of 3 adults in the lobby at a time, if there are 3 adults waiting, please wait outside until someone has left, allowing plenty of space. Children must be well and showing no signs or symptoms. On arrival at the Pre-school, it is the parent's responsibility to inform staff if anyone within the family has shown symptoms of COVID 19. If children or any member of the household have any of the symptoms of COVID19 (high temperature or a persistent cough) we would ask that you get a PCR test and not return until either a negative result or end of isolation period. Staff will sanitise the children's hands thoroughly on arrival at the setting and children will thoroughly wash hands before eating and sanitise after eating. Check children's temperature if needed (37.8 or above if showing symptoms). Encourage children to avoid touching their face, eyes, nose and mouth. If a member of the child household tests positive, please can the child go for a PCR test and not return to the setting until a negative test is received or isolation period is over, this will help to keep the pre-school open and reduce the risk of us having to close
	Physical Distancing/ Grouping	 Children are no longer in small groups The use of communal internal space should be restricted as much as possible. Outdoor space should be used every day
	Play and Learning	 Implement social distancing where possible: ask parents to leave the site promptly after dropping off children. All the resources are available and are regularly cleaned
	Wellbeing and Education	 Children should be supported in age-appropriate ways to understand the steps they can take to keep themselves safe including regular hand washing and sneezing into a tissue. Children should be supported to understand the changes and challenges they may be encountering as a result of COVID19, and staff need to ensure they are aware of children's attachments and their need for emotional support at this time.
	If a child starts displaying symptoms	 If a child begins displaying a continuous cough or a high temperature, we will contact to arrange collection and ask for the child to have a PCR test If clinical advice is needed then the setting, staff, parents or guardians should go online to NHS 111 or call 111.

Workforce Attendance	Belongings from home	 Staff should only attend the Pre-school if they are symptom free, staff are taking regular LFT tests to limit the risk of infection. Where possible meetings and training should be conducted through virtual conferencing.
Parents	Physical Distancing	 Only parents or permitted adult to drop off or collect their child When parents are waiting to drop off or collect their child please wait outside if 3 adults are already waiting in the lobby and allow plenty of space when passing other adults and respect their decisions for space
	Communication	 Parents should receive clear communication regarding the role they play in safe operating procedure and all measures being taken into ensure the safety of their children and themselves.
Visitors	Visits	 Entrance to the setting should be restricted to children and staff as far as practically possible and visitors should <u>not</u> be in the Pre-school unless essential (e.g., building maintenance and emergency services).
Travel	Traveling to the Pre school	 Wherever possible staff and parents should travel to preschool alone, using own transport. If public transport is necessary current guidance on the use of public transport must be followed.
Toys/ Food/ Snacks/PPE	Both workforce and children	 Wearing a face covering or face mask in school or other education settings is not recommended, only when changing a child's nappy and toileting.
Cleaning	Undertake Regular Cleaning	 Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at the start and end of the day. This includes tables, chairs, resources, equipment, door handles, light switches, toilets, taps and sinks Wear disposable gloves for cleaning and dispose of immediately after cleaning. Wash hands regularly with soap and water for 20 seconds and afterwards remove gloves, aprons and other protection used while cleaning.
	Electronics	 Regularly clean electronics, such as tablets, touch screen, keyboards, remote controls throughout the day.
	Cleaning of clothes and Disposal of contaminated waste	 Dirty clothing to be doubled bagged. Waste from body parts to been doubled bagged and changing area to be cleaned with disinfectant and all gloves and aprons to be doubled bagged and binned for each child.