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Dear Parent/Carer,

Nursery and Pre-School return to school

I am now able to share further information with you ahead of re-opening to all Nursery and Pre-school children next week.

- We look forward to welcoming all our Nursery and Pre-School children back to school from **Monday 8th March**.
- Children should attend their allocated session as normal. If you are unsure of your allocated session, please contact school for further information.
- We will continue to apply the systems of control we have been using in and around our setting since September.
- **Drop off and Pick up arrangements** – Unlike the rest of the school there will be **no changes** to the arrangements for children in Early Years.

Year Group	Arrival Time	Gate	Departure Time	Gate/Area
Nursery (morning)	8.45am	Nursery Gate	11.45am	Nursery Gate
Nursery (afternoon)	12.30pm	Nursery Gate	3.20pm	Nursery Gate
Two Year Olds (afternoon)	12.30pm	Nursery Gate	3.20pm	Nursery Gate

- Bubbles – The bubble system will return. Children will come to the session they attended before Christmas.
- In the case of new starters, staff will have made contact with you and allocated your child a session and confirmed a starting date.
- Hand hygiene – We have hand sanitisers and regular hand washing takes place.
- Enhanced cleaning regimes – Additional cleaning takes place to ensure Nursery is cleaned between sessions. This includes toys and equipment; bathrooms have an extra clean also.
- Ventilation - windows /doors are open to aid ventilation and to ensure good airflow throughout the building, which helps to minimise transmission risks. We make good use of outdoor environment therefore, I ask that children need to be dressed for the weather and for outdoor sessions.

- Please pop a change of clothes in a labelled bag in case your child has an accident and needs to be changed.
- Face coverings – Staff wear face coverings when in contact with other adults, social distancing is difficult, and I would ask that parents/carers do the same when collecting and dropping children off.
- Maintaining good social distancing – We ask you help us with this by dropping off/collecting your children and leaving site promptly. Thank you.
- Visitors - Limiting the number of visitors to school reduces opportunity for transmission.
- School Office – The school office is not currently open to visitors. Please continue to contact us by telephone and email at this time.

Importantly, just as before no one with any symptoms of COVID 19 should attend school. If your child feels unwell, they must take a test and notify school of the result so we are able to identify any close contacts.

If a child becomes unwell at school, parents will be contacted to arrange immediate collection and advice given for the household to self-isolate pending the outcome of a PCR test.

Please ensure we have your most up to date contact telephone numbers. This is vitally important at this time so that we are able to contact you promptly in the event of a bubble collapse.

Thank you for your continued support during these times.

If you have any queries or concerns around the return to school, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher