



Nene and Ramnoth School

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Dear Parents/Carers

As you will be aware from Thursday 5th November we will be entering a new phase of National Lockdown. This letter has been written to provide you with updates and information after reviewing our current practices in nursery which are closely evaluated by Elliot Foundation.

For the continued safety of our children, staff and yourselves:

We advise all parents to social distance whilst dropping off and collecting children.

All adults are expected to wear masks when on our school site from Thursday 5th November.

To assist with keeping the number of people at the nursery/on the school site low during drop off and collection, we ask that wherever possible, children are dropped off by one adult and you must **arrive at your designated time** following the signposted route for entrance and exits. When dropping off and collecting your child, please stand behind the yellow marked area. If you need to speak to the staff please do so from this marked space and keep conversations brief; please phone for longer conversations. Our staff will also be wearing visors or masks at the nursery door.

Staggered Times/Entrance and Exits:

Class Name	Time	Entrance/Exit
Little Owls - AM ARRIVAL	8.00 - 8.50am & 9.05 - 9.20am	Normal entrance via the office and out through the playground.
Little Owls - Lunchtime COLLECTION	12.10 - 1.00pm	Normal entrance via the office Exit through the courtyard and out of the staff door via the car park; PLEASE STAY OFF THE CAR PARK - USE THE PEDESTRIAN AREA. DO NOT BRING CARS ON TO THE SCHOOL SITE.
Little Owls- PM ARRIVAL	1.00 - 1.45pm	Normal entrance via the office Exit through the courtyard and out of the staff door via the car park; PLEASE STAY OFF THE CAR PARK - USE THE PEDESTRIAN AREA. DO NOT BRING CARS ON TO THE SCHOOL SITE.
Little Owls PM COLLECTION	3.00 - 6.00pm	Normal entrance via the office and out through the playground.

If you wish your child to wear a mask whilst travelling to and from nursery, they will need a plastic bag which can be sealed (such as a sandwich or freezer bag) to place their mask in once arriving at nursery. They must leave the mask in the bag and parents are asked to take them home and bring them back on collection where they can take it out again to wear to travel home.

Bubble Education:

- The children will remain within their nursery 'bubbles' with familiar and consistent staff.
- Children may do additional support work in groups. There are clear cleaning and hygiene procedures in place in school for these situations.
- Children in receipt of EYPP will be able to take their book home as we still want children to read with you every day and for you to use the shared home/nursery record add an observation each week to Tapestry. The library is still in use and parents are asked to return books borrowed in a plastic bag for quarantine.
- There is a designated set of toilets to use and these will be cleaned throughout the day and deep cleaned at the end of each day.

Lunchtime:

- Children will follow good hygiene routines and wash their hands as they arrive at nursery, after they have played outside, before lunchtime, when they return to nursery from lunch and at the end of the day. They also wash their hands after visiting the toilet and before snacking.
- Lunchtime will continue to be earlier than usual to allow space for the reception children to stagger their lunches in bubbles.

Health and Safety Specifics:

- All childrens will have to wash their hands on entering & exiting nursery. If you wish your child to have their own hand gel or hand cream it must be labelled with the child's name and must not be shared.
- All children will be expected to wash their hands multiple times a day as stated above.
- All children will have to use a tissue if they cough, sneeze, or need to blow their nose; this then has to be put in a lidded bin.
- With nursery being well ventilated we would advise that your child wears additional layers as the weather gets colder such as vests or t shirts. Your child should get changed out of their nursery clothes as soon as they get home.
- Please keep belongings to a minimum - spare clothes, nappies and wipes.
- Staff will clean toys, surfaces, light switches, flushes, taps, door handles constantly throughout the day.

Attendance:

- The Government expects **all children** to attend school as normal and the expectation of attendance is the same as it was prior to lockdown, we want all nursery children to continue to attend.
- If your child is late for their entry slot, they will be asked to wait until it is safe to come in (ie; there are only a few children coming in).

Illness:

- If your child shows any symptoms of Covid19: **temperature, cough, loss of taste & smell** they need to be kept at home for 10 days or until a test shows they are negative.
- If your child shows any signs of Covid19 in school, they will be isolated and **you must collect them IMMEDIATELY**. Staff looking after them will be dressed in full PPE.
- We must have 3 contact numbers in school and your phone **must** be answered if nursery calls. If we don't have enough contact numbers, we may contact you to gather them. Please let the office know if your number has changed.
- If your child shows any signs of ill health DO NOT send them to nursery! You must also call to let us know they will be absent.

Remote Education:

- As from 22nd October 2020 the Government made it law that children should access online learning if they are not in school due to self isolating or bubble closure. We would like to ensure this is the same for nursery children

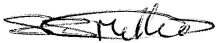
- All children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 have been given logins to Tapestry for ideas of activities to do with children to support their learning at home which can be shared back with staff.

Contacting Nursery:

- If you wish to contact nursery please email or call. Adults should not go to the school office unless it is important. If it is necessary an appointment will be made.
- If you wish to speak to your child's key-person, please email or call the school office and a telephone appointment will be made.
- Social distancing of 2 metres should be kept between all adults at all times.
- Adults are not allowed to wait on the school playground or gather on site.

I hope this provides you with all the information you require to know we are constantly reviewing the ever changing situation. I would like to say a HUGE thank you for all your support during this unprecedented and very difficult time. We understand that it has been an emotional rollercoaster for our families and staff.

Best wishes



Mrs S Miller and team
Head of Schools



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Nursery Manager