



Covid Outbreak contingency plan

When should my child stay at home	<p>DO NOT ISOLATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All children should attend nursery and pre-school unless they are ill From 16th August, children under 18 (or double vaccinated adult) do not need to self-isolate if a member of their household or a close contact has Covid. However, we ask families to consider others and the risk to those who are vulnerable if you have someone who has tested positive in your household, and whether you feel your child should be attending nursery or pre-school during this period or whether they should also be isolating at home.
	<p>ISOLATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your child develops COVID symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test, NOT a Lateral Flow Test. If your child develops COVID symptoms at nursery or pre-school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test. They will not be allowed back into nursery or -pre-school until we have seen confirmation of the result of the test. If your child tests positive for COVID, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated, but instead should book a PCR test. If you have someone that has tested positive for COVID in your house you MUST inform us immediately, we ask that all household members do a PCR test. We ask all staff to isolate for 10 days if someone in their house tests positive for COVID.

Community COVID Risk	Description	Actions
Low Community Transmission. No nursery or pre-school cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There have been no cases of COVID within the nursery or pre-school for 10 days Cases of COVID locally are low and/or stable Hospitalisation/Deaths due to COVID nationally are low 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reminding children of good hygiene when they arrive and throughout the day Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical Ensuring children / Staff to stay at home if they have COVID symptoms (and need to book a PCR test) Following operational procedures outlined in the COVID operational plan Staff will continue to take Lateral Flow Device tests at least twice a week

Rapidly rising community transmission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No current COVID cases have been recorded at nursery or pre-school but... Cases of COVID are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local settings and schools Public Health England/Hampshire County Council issue warnings of expected local/national infection wave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ventilation of the nursery and pre-school increased and hand washing supervised. All children to be supervised when washing hands on arrival Staff and children to keep to their rooms and only to mix if it is essential Clinically vulnerable staff meet with line managers to review their individual risk assessments and discuss additional protections (e.g., face coverings) Face coverings to be worn at drop off and collections Clinically vulnerable children to have their care plans reviewed
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Number of cases	Description	Actions
A single child or member of staff tests positive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A single child/adult tests positive in a room/setting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The child/adult self-isolates for 10 days. Key person will call the family to check on the child and offer some activities to do at home if the child is well enough The parents/carers of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts. Likely contacts will be contacted by NHS Track and Trace and advised to book a PCR test. The nursery or pre-school will contact parents/carers to advise if your child has been in close contact with the person who has tested positive The Government state that children do not need to miss nursery or pre-school whilst they wait for the result of the PCR test unless they have COVID symptoms. However, we ask families to consider the needs of everyone when deciding whether to bring your child in or not while waiting for the outcome of the test. Staff are required to do a Lateral Flow test every day while they wait for their PCR test results and if they test negative, they are required to do a Lateral Flow test for 10 days from the positive case. Re-introducing face masks for staff in corridors and communal areas and for drop offs and pickups.

<p>3 children or staff within a nursery or pre-school test positive within 10 days of each other</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been 3 cases of COVID within in a setting within 10 days, which could mean that COVID is spreading within that setting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above for each positive case. • The Head of Oaktree Family Group will discuss the outbreak with Public Health England and agree strengthening protective measure for 10 nursery/pre-school days, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Re-introducing face masks in corridors and communal areas and for drop offs and pick ups for visitors, parents and carers. ○ No parents/carers to come into the settings, drop off to take place at individual doors outside for each setting, no parents or cares to come into the family centre ○ All meetings to take place virtually
<p>COVID cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10-day period</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Despite the measures indicated above, COVID cases within the nursery/pre-school continue to rise within a 10-day period with multiple cases across the setting, suggesting that COVID is spreading throughout the setting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above for each positive case. • Incident Management Team meeting held between Oaktree Family group and Public Health England to agree further measures, for a further 10 nursery/pre-school days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Re-introducing bubbles ○ Limiting all non-essential visitors ○ Postponing all non-essential events ○ If we are unable to offer all places, priority will be given to key workers and vulnerable families

Further information

- Oaktree Family Group nurseries and pre-schools are open as normal to all families.
- If we have a positive case all families must work with us and understand that all things, we put in place are to keep the children, families, and staff safe.
- Nursery/Pre-school fees will still apply as per your terms and conditions if your child is ill, or if you chose to keep them at home for any reason.
- All Oaktree family Group policies and procedures must always be adhered to.
- There is a change in symptoms for the new variant which now includes a runny nose, sneezing, a sore throat and loss of sell, many symptoms of the common cold. If in any doubt, please do get a test.