

# School Based Childcare Guidance

## KEY WORKERS

Schools are open for children of key workers and vulnerable families. Before you send your child to school tomorrow...

### THINK

Am I really a key worker and is my job absolutely essential to the national interest?

### DO I REALLY NEED TO SEND MY CHILD TO SCHOOL?

Can I work from home?  
Can my partner work from home?  
Can I take annual leave?  
Can I change my shift patterns?  
Can I work part time?  
Does my child have any underlying health conditions which puts them at risk?

### REMEMBER

Your child is safer at home.  
Teachers are safer at home.  
Some staff members have underlying health condition and are in the high risk category.  
Some staff have family who are high risk and vulnerable.  
Some staff have anxiety.

**"Schools, are being asked to continue to provide childcare for a limited number of children - children who are vulnerable, and children whose parents are critical to the Covid-19 response and cannot be safely cared for at home whilst they are working."**

## **Stay at home if you have either:**

- **A high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)**
- **A new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)**

## **Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital**

**Use the 111 online coronavirus service to find out what to do. Only call 111 if you cannot get help online.**

**Information can be found at:**

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

## **Guidance & Precautions**

**Please read very carefully**

### **GETTING READY**

Please wear own clothes which are fresh on each day. Make sure you bring a coat as we plan to be outside as much as possible. Please also wear sunscreen for when we go outside. Please wash your hands before leaving home.

## **WHAT TO BRING?**

Your child only needs to bring in a water bottle and a packed lunch. A packed lunch will be provided for those entitled to means tested Free School Meals. Please clean lunchboxes before returning the next day. Children should not bring in toys from home.

## **MEET AND GREET**

Children can be dropped off from 8:30am and picked up at 3:00pm. You may collect any time in between. On arrival to school please wait outside the Pavilion. It is important that you follow social distancing guidance and stand at least 2 metres apart and from the member of staff who opens the door. Children will be greeted by a member of staff at the front doors, one family at a time. They will be directed to hang up their coats and then wash their hands before entering the building.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please ensure we have the correct emergency contact details; if your child becomes poorly they will need to be collected immediately.

## **IF YOU BECOME UNWELL**

If you become unwell with coronavirus symptoms, you must contact school (01903 830901) and arrange collection of your child.

## **SOCIAL DISTANCING**

Social distancing must be enforced whilst your child is not in school if we are to prevent/minimise the spread of infection to

other families and staff. This includes **not** meeting up for play dates with friends and extended family members, sleeping over at grandparents etc. This also applies to other family members in the household.

### **EMERGENCY PROVISION**

This is an emergency provision. If it is at all possible for children to be at home, then they should be. The purpose of this nationwide school closure is to reduce the spread of infection.

### **STUCTURE OF THE DAY**

The day will not be like an ordinary school day. There will be opportunities for free play. If the weather is permitting children will be encouraged to spend plenty of time outside.

### **UPDATES ON SHIFTS/WORK**

All emergency childcare requirements must be booked in advance via the Google form. This will ensure that we have the required ratios and first aid requirements whilst also keeping our staff safe.

Please update as soon as is reasonably possible with regards to your need for childcare. Please email us at [office@laurelsprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@laurelsprimary.co.uk) if there are any changes required.



# SOCIAL DISTANCING

## What does it mean?

Social distancing is the practice of reducing close contact between people to slow the spread of infections or diseases.

Social distancing measures include limiting large groups of people coming together, closing buildings and cancelling events.

## AVOID

- Group gatherings
- Sleepovers
- Playdates
- Concerts
- Theater outings
- Traveling
- Athletic events
- Crowded retail stores

- Malls
- Workouts in gyms
- Church Services
- Visitors in your house
- Non-essential workers in your house
- Mass transit systems

## KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

- Visit a local restaurant to get take out
- Visit grocery store

- Pick up medications
- Play tennis in a park

## SAFE TO DO

- Take a walk
- Go for a hike
- Yard work
- Play in your yard

- Clean out a closet
- Read a good book
- Listen to music
- Cook a meal
- Family game night
- Go for a drive
- Group video chats
- Stream a favorite show
- Check on a friend or elderly neighbor

## THE POWER OF SOCIAL DISTANCING

