

## Little Hens Childcare CORONAVIRUS POLICY

In order to safeguard all children and staff throughout this difficult time we will be implementing new restrictions and procedures. We will be guided at all times by current Government guidelines, DFE updates and PHE England.

Parents will be asked to remain outside the Nursery. This is to minimise the risk of Covid 19 being introduced into Little Hens Childcare.

All children will wash their hands or use hand sanitiser before going off to play.

No toys or other items from home will be allowed apart from a change of clothes which will be kept at Little Hens Childcare during this time

Strict hygiene will be used as usual but children will still be playing together and sharing toys so you must be aware that we cannot and will not apply social distancing measures between staff and the children. This is following Government guidelines where children can play in a small group.

If your child or any member of your family show symptoms of Covid 19 then your child must remain at home for the time specified by Government guidelines, as guidance is constantly updating these timescales may vary.

In the event of a member of staff or their family showing symptoms we will ask the member of staff to remain at home until the time specified by the Government. If we are not able to cover the member of staff sessions, we may need to close the Nursery. Everyone will be notified as soon as we can of any changes.

The wellbeing of your child is and always will be our priority, we will continue to provide the same level of care and contact and will obviously be keeping your child as safe as we possibly can. We will not be wearing or expect any of the children to wear masks or any other PPE equipment, we feel the impact on young children outweighs any benefits there may be. However, if you wish your child to wear PPE could you please supply this. PPE is in place if any staff member wishes to use it.

When dealing with anybody fluid, all staff must always wear PPE. They must wear an apron, gloves and mask. The PPE must be disposed of in the bag and then put in the black bin waste after use.