



COVID-19 Parent/Carer Agreement

Barkway Preschool is implementing a series of measures to manage risk and protect everyone, keeping the preschool clean and safe for children, staff and parents. *(Please see our COVID-19 Policy and Procedure.)*

We need to ask for your help and agreement to the following points, so that we can make preschool as safe as possible. We are asking all parents/carers to read the measures below and support us by adhering to them. We will be minimising paper handling, so before your child returns to preschool, **please email us to confirm receipt of this agreement and to give your agreement to respect the measures.**

1. If **anyone** who is displaying coronavirus symptoms (continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)), or has displayed symptoms in the previous 7 days, or lives with someone who has displayed symptoms in the previous 14 days, should notify preschool **immediately** and not attend and are advised to follow [COVID-19 guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)
2. If anyone in the setting becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they will be sent home and advised to follow [COVID-19 guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#), which sets out that they must self-isolate for at least 10 days and [should arrange to have a test](#) to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19). Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms.
3. If your child is unwell at preschool or displaying symptoms of COVID-19, we ask that they are collected within **one hour** of us calling you. Preschool will have a designated area for any child that needs to go home and is displaying potential signs and symptoms of COVID-19. This area will be equipped with PPE and age-appropriate, easily-sanitised toys to keep the child happy, until their parent/carers arrives.
4. We ask that parents comply with the NHS Test and Trace service. We ask that your child does not attend preschool if you live in a household where someone has been asked by a contact-tracer to self-isolate for 14 days. Please inform us immediately and follow the guidance before returning to preschool
5. We recommend that your child does not attend preschool if any member of your household is classed as clinically extremely vulnerable (those with serious underlying health conditions which put them at very high risk of severe illness from coronavirus).
6. We ask that parents/carers provide us with the most up to date contact details especially current email address(es) and mobile phone numbers.

7. We ask you to be completely open about your child's health. We will not accept any child that has been given paracetamol or ibuprofen before being brought to preschool, as this may mask signs of illness or fever.
8. If your child is unwell (with any illness other than COVID-19) you should allow 48 hours after their last symptom before returning them to preschool.
9. All email contacts and Tapestry accounts are active and checked regularly as we will be minimising paperwork and using these channels to communicate with parents/carers as much as possible, including informing you of any daily accidents. Parents/carers should report any problems with Tapestry to Barkway Preschool immediately.
10. Only one parent/carer should drop off and pick up from preschool. They should wait outside the main school entrance, along the railings in the marked off areas, ensuring they are 2 metres away from other parents/carers. When handing over your child to a member of staff, please also keep 2 metres away from them, as a precautionary measure. Parents will not be allowed to enter the preschool unless their child is unsettled.
11. We ask that you abide by the Government's guidance on social distancing at all other times, to limit the transmission of COVID-19.
12. The guidance advises that children should not wear facemasks in the setting. If your child arrives wearing a face covering, we ask that you take it home with you before they enter.
13. Everyone coming into preschool will be required to wear a face covering, wash their hands immediately on arrival and when they leave. We have a comprehensive and thorough cleaning programme in place throughout preschool and will be encouraging everyone to wash their hands frequently and ensuring that they do so.
14. We ask parents to give Barkway Preschool two weeks notice if you wish to change any of the days or times of sessions as we need to organise staff rotas to ensure we comply with staff:child ratios..
15. We ask parents to understand that if we find we cannot meet the minimum adult:child ratios due to staff illness/absence, we may have to close with **minimal or no notice**. We ask you to be considerate if we have to do this.
16. If we have a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19, preschool may have to close with **minimal or no notice**. We ask for your understanding if this happens.
17. To reduce risk, we must limit the number of items coming in and out of preschool. We ask that you send in only what is necessary for the care of your child. All toys from home should stay at home, to reduce the risk of infection.
18. Please provide a named drinking bottle for the session. Please ensure this is filled with water (not juice) and is cleaned daily.
19. Please send your child to preschool in appropriate clothing for the weather and apply sun cream to them before they arrive if necessary.
20. We ask that parents send their child to preschool in freshly laundered clothes each day.

21. Please send your child with enough clean spare clothes, nappies and wipes to avoid the need to use preschools.
22. You must inform us if your child is also attending another childcare setting other than Barkway and Barley Federation School as we will not be able to accept your child at Barkway Preschool.
23. We still require one months' written notice as per our terms of business to terminate your child's place.

For the safety of everyone, strict compliance with the Government guidelines and the above measures are required at all times.