## CORONAVIRUS: COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES AND STAFF

At HappyWoods nursery, we are keeping a closer monitoring on the existing COVID19 government guidelines to ensure all our staff and children are safe during the current situation and we update our parents on a weekly basis via emails if there are any changes to our nursery routines and protocols.

To help keep everyone safe, we have implemented various safety measures, including social distancing and rigorous cleaning practices, at our nurseries. We continue to operate in full compliance with the latest guidance from the Department for Education, NHS and government briefings, together with our own comprehensive COVID-19 policies regarding infection control.

## **Illness & COVID19**

Please ensure that if you or any member of your household has had or experience COVID19 symptoms; you should continue to follow the COVID19 government guidelines and notify the nursery straight away to ensure that we keep all the children and the staff safe at the nursery.

Parents/Carers will not be allowed into Nursery to ensure the number of adults is limited to staff only in nursery. Following the Government recent guidance, staff greeting the children will be wearing a face shield or mask. We also request that Parents/Carers wear a mask when waiting with their children to limit the passing of infection into the nursery. Whilst the children are in the nursery, they will be encouraged frequently throughout the session to wash their hands and use the hand sanitizer. Staff will be frequently washing and cleaning equipment throughout the day to limit the spread of infection.

Information on COVID-19 testing is available at: www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-and-contact-tracing

## **COVID19 Early Years guidance**

Please ensure you keep yourself up to date with the latest government guidance for Early Year Settings at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-early-years-and-childcare-closures">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-early-years-and-childcare-closures</a>

We wish you and your family well and hope you keep safe during these difficult times, should you have further queries, do not hesitate to contact Heene Road site on 0203 417 2345 or Bell Lane site on 0203 489 4243.