



Greenfield Nursery & Pre-school

16 December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am so sad that we were not able to get to the end of the term without a positive case of Covid-19 in school. After all the hard work staff have put in to making sure the school is safe and we follow procedures within our risk assessment it is a blow.

I sincerely hope you all remain safe and well over Christmas and remember if you are planning to meet family still follow the guidance.

I hope that staff will be recovered and well ready for the Spring term.

Please check emails and the school website for updates over the holidays.

Hertfordshire County Council has asked us to share the following important information with you following a significant increase in coronavirus infections amongst 12-16 year olds:

Dear parent/carer

Thank you for everything you and your family are doing to play your part in the fight against coronavirus. Our schools and other education settings have worked extremely hard this term to help keep everyone safe. However, as we move into the Christmas holidays, it is of utmost importance that we continue to stay safe.

We have seen a significant increase in the number of coronavirus infections in 12-16 year olds and would therefore urge you to have a conversation with your child to make sure they understand, and are following, the Government regulations to help prevent the spread of coronavirus.

The actions you and your family can take to play your part are:

- Wash your hands regularly, for at least 20 seconds, with soap and warm water or use an antibacterial hand sanitiser if soap and water isn't available
- Stay at least 2 metres (or 1 metre with other measures, such as a face-covering) away from those not in your immediate household
- Wear a face-covering where required and when it is difficult to socially distance
- Self-isolate and get tested if you develop symptoms
- Do not socialise indoors with anyone who isn't in your immediate household and only meet in groups of up to 6 people outdoors

Some areas of Hertfordshire will be moving into Tier 3 restrictions as of 00:01am on Wednesday 16 December (Broxbourne, Three Rivers, Watford and Hertsmere). Residents in these areas will need to familiarise themselves with, and adhere to, Tier 3 restrictions: www.gov.uk/guidance/tier-3-very-high-alert

Please remember that while your child is in school, they are in a 'bubble', which is carefully managed by the school. However outside of school hours, they should continue to follow the most up to date Government guidelines, and we encourage you to explain this to your child.

If you choose to socialise in a bubble of up to three separate households during 23-27 December, which is the period the Government proposes to relax guidelines, please enjoy this time but please also remember to do so safely by continuing to follow good hand hygiene and socially distance where possible. Coronavirus is known to linger in enclosed spaces, so keeping windows open can also reduce risk.

We wish you all a safe and peaceful Christmas.

Hertfordshire County Council

Toilet Training

I know some of you are starting to toilet train your child and the holiday break is a great time to really focus on this. Having so many children in nappies takes staff away from playing and teaching the children.

The Family Centre have sent a link for Potty Training Tips – just click on the link below

<https://youtu.be/Jh6y8sE2IXw>

Please register with the Family Centre here

www.hertsfamilycentres.org

COVID19 AWARE

PLEASE make sure you DO NOT send your child to school unwell. If your child has a positive test in the holiday please email the school to inform us.

Having had a conversation with the COVID support team before closing the school they have made me aware that in young children the symptoms may also be as follows;

- High Temperature
- Runny Nose
- Cough
- Diarrhoea

Class Emails

Staff are very busy during drop off and collection time. Please use the class emails to share information about your child and any queries you may have – staff will get back to you.

nurserymessages@greenfield.herts.sch.uk

poppymessages@greenfield.herts.sch.uk

preschoolmessages@greenfield.herts.ssch.uk

**Remember to inform the office if your child is absent 01992 760779
option 1.**

Please check your emails for home learning.

In the holiday help your child become independent by letting them get dressed on
their own, putting on their own coat.

Teach them to wipe their nose and wash hands correctly.

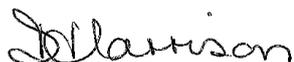
Thank you

IMPORTANT DATE – Start of Term

First Day - January 5th 2021

Thank you,

Yours sincerely



Deborah Harrison
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