Update to Covid 19 Procedures

The Government have removed the statutory guidelines around Covid-19, and lifted all legally enforced restrictions, allowing us to make safe and informed decisions for ourselves. Therefore, the following procedures for Covid-19 are for guidance purposes only.

* If your child tests positive for Covid-19, we ask that you keep them at home for five days. We no longer require proof of a negative lateral flow or PCR test before they return.
* If a staff member tests positive for Covid-19, we will ask them to stay at home for five days.
* Face coverings are now optional, not mandatory.
* If there are multiple cases of Covid-19 within the setting, we will complete daily deep-cleans of the setting, ventilate all areas well, aim to spend more time outdoors, and temporarily remove the resources which cannot be thoroughly cleaned.
* In the event of three or more members of staff testing positive for Covid-19, the setting will remain open but offer a reduced service with priority given to our SEND, extended-funded, and vulnerable children. The setting is legally not allowed to open without a fully qualified Manager, a Level 4 Safeguarding Lead, and SENDCO on site, if these requirements could not be met we would be forced to close. We currently have three Management staff, three Level 4 Safeguarding leads, and two qualified SENCO’s.

This policy was updated on 10/03/2022 by Rachael Woolley

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To be reviewed following the next Covid-19 review on 1st of April 2022

Signed by Committee Chair\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_