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Dear Parents and Carers

3rd January 2022

Welcome to Wrenthorpe Pre-School to our new children and their families and welcome back to Pre-School on Tuesday 4th January 2022 to our returning children and their families!

We hope you have all enjoyed a restful Christmas break and are refreshed and ready to take on 2022!. We are looking forward to welcoming our children and their families again to Pre-School. We'd like to take this opportunity to remind you of the continuing measures in place in Pre- School this term in line with the latest Government Guidance to keep our community as safe as possible in the Covid -19 pandemic. Our Risk Assessment and Outbreak Management Plan are available to view on our website.

Risk Assessment: [Pre-School-Covid-19 Risk Assessment January 2022](#)

Outbreak Management Plan: [Waterton Outbreak Management Plan](#)

These documents provide an outline of the overall strategy and steps taken by all Waterton academies and settings. We will continue to review any updated Government and Waterton Academy Trust guidance as it is released and will inform you of any updates.

Government's Information for Parents and Carers:

[Return to Education Early Years Leaflet A5.pdf.](#)

[What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Start time and End time

Early Birds: 7:30 (booking required)

Morning session: 9:00 – 12:00

Afternoon session: 12:15 – 3:15

Children who have confirmed 30 hours: 9:00 – 3:00 or 3:15 where additional provision is paid for.

Night Owls up to 6:00 (booking required)

Face masks

Please wear a face covering when dropping off and collecting your child/ren. If you are medically exempt please inform a member of staff who will be happy to meet your child at the door.

Settling In

We are pleased to welcome parents and carers into our nursery garden and cloakroom to bring children into pre-school and collect them at the end of the day, please be mindful of each other and keep to a maximum of 3 families at any one time in our small cloakroom area.

Attendance

The Waterton Academy Trust [Pre-School Attendance Policy](#) remains in effect. It is expected that children attend pre-school as normal and that absences for any reason are reported to us. We understand that it is difficult to bring your child to pre-school if you are ill or isolating yourself and appreciate that many of you choose to keep your pre-school children at home with you when a member of your household has tested positive for Covid-19. Please do inform us if this is the case.

Uniform

Pre-school uniform is available to purchase. We would like to see our children looking smart in their pre-school jumpers or cardigans and polo shirts with their comfortable warm leggings/joggers ready to play. We advise that children wear vests / t-shirts under their uniform as we continue to keep our windows open for ventilation as per guidelines.

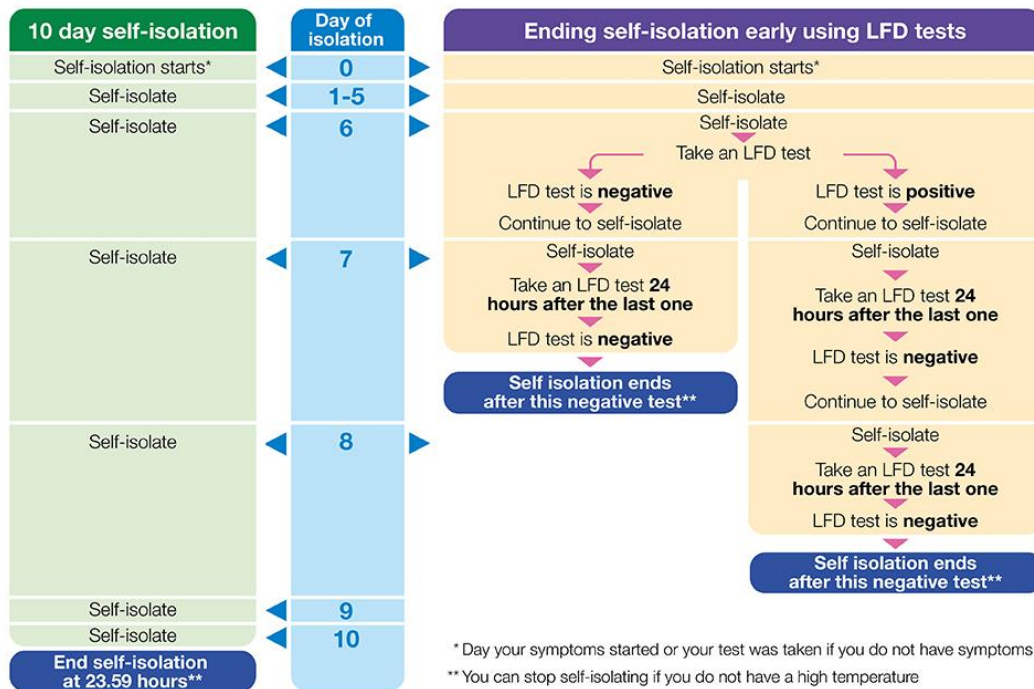
Social Distancing

There is no longer a requirement for social distancing on school grounds. We understand that some families may choose to keep their distance, and therefore ask that parents be respectful of each other's space, especially at busy times.

Self-Isolation

The latest guidance around isolation with COVID-19 symptoms or following a positive test can be found here:

[Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection)



[Safe at home infographic \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/90100/safe-at-home-infographic.pdf)

The latest guidance around self-isolation for close contacts of a positive case is as follows:

If someone you live with has symptoms of COVID-19, or has tested positive for COVID-19, you will not need to self-isolate if any of the following apply:

- you're fully vaccinated – this means 14 days have passed since your final dose of a COVID-19 vaccine given by the NHS
- you're under 18 years, 6 months old

- you're taking part or have taken part in a COVID-19 vaccine trial
- you're not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

As this includes all children and fully vaccinated adults, there will be no requirement for all of pre-school to isolate in the event of a positive case. In the event of an outbreak being identified the Outbreak Management Plan will be followed, and parents will be informed of next steps.

Quarantine and Travel

Any families who have returned from a foreign holiday prior to returning to school must adhere to the Government guidance around travel and quarantine, found here: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/red-amber-and-green-list-rules-for-entering-england>

Symptoms and testing

All staff will continue to be encouraged to participate in twice weekly lateral flow testing for asymptomatic individuals. Tests are also available to parents, and can be ordered here: <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>.

The main Covid-19 symptoms are a high temperature, a new continuous cough and a loss or change to sense of taste or smell. If your child has any of the above symptoms they must not come to pre-school and must stay at home and self-isolate.

Any adults in the household who are not fully vaccinated (but have no medical reason not to be vaccinated) must also self-isolate. The symptomatic person and unvaccinated adults may only leave the house to take a PCR test. Tests can be arranged here: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>.

Reporting a positive case

In the unfortunate event of your child having a positive Covid-19 test, they must stay at home and isolate for 10 days after the first onset of symptoms (or test date if asymptomatic). Parents / carers should report this positive test result to the pre-school as soon as possible. At the end of the 10 day period, if your child is feeling well and no longer has a high temperature they may return to school; (return can be after 7 days with the addition of daily testing as per the infographic above).

Support for learning

If your child can not come to pre-school there are lots of activity ideas and links on our website to help you to support your child's learning at home. There is also information and support around internet safety for children too. <https://watertonpreschool.org/learning-at-home> and <https://watertonpreschool.org/safeguarding> .

Communication

We will keep you informed of any further changes via our website and through our parent text system should we need to get information to you urgently.

We would like to thank parents and carers for their continued support, and welcome you all warmly to Wrenthope Pre-School for what we hope will be an enjoyable year.

Yours sincerely



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Executive Headteacher



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Pre-School Manager