



Early Bloomers After School Club Covid-19 Protective Measures Policy

At Early Bloomers After School Club, we will endeavour to minimise any risk of COVID-19 transmission. Protective measures have been put into place in line with the government's guidelines (updated 17th August 2021):

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-of-children-attending-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/out-of-school-settings-covid-19-guidance-for-parents-and-carers>

The measures are also aligned to Harris Academy's policies on Covid-19 safety procedures to reduce the risk of transmission to children, parents, contractors and staff.

Drop-off: -

Please arrive by the main reception gate and press buzzer for the After School Club (Lordship Lane)

A member of staff will sign your child/children in at reception

Please do not enter the school building unless you have an arranged meeting with the senior management

You should leave from the same gate

Do not enter the setting if you are displaying any symptoms of Coronavirus (Covid-19) and follow the advice from the link provided

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

Due to parent needs, drop offs are usually staggered. We are, therefore, happy for you to drop off your child at your usual times. However, during drop-off and collection times, use the **demarcated markings on the floor** to remain **socially distant** whilst waiting.

Do not gather at entrance and exit gates.

Drop off and pick up is limited to **one parent/carer** per family.

Try to avoid using public transports to get to the setting, if possible. Walk or cycle where possible or use a private vehicle - provided you are travelling with those from the same household.

According to the above guidance, from 16 August 2021, if one member of your household is positive to COVI-19, children below the age of 18 years 6 months will not be required to self-isolate but advised to get a PCR test.

Upon entering the club: -

The children will **wash their hands** in the toilets located at the reception before going through to the hall.

They will **remove any disposable face coverings** in a bin provided or placed in a sealed bag if a reusable covering is worn. If your child is wearing a re-usable face covering please provide a sealed bag. They will wash their hands soon afterwards.

During club time: -

The children will be seated in **small consistent groups** of no more than 15 children. These groups will consist of children from the same year. Where this may not be possible, we may need to mix one or two groups on some of the days (of similar age) a week and the groups will remain unchanged.

There will be up to 5 groups of approx.15 children in the school hall separated by 2 meters at least. They will be seated side by side or at allocated seats.

Each group will be allocated to at least one member of staff.

Each group will be allocated to the same member of staff both morning and afternoon. If this is not possible and, for example at breakfast club, children are supervised by someone different than in the afternoon session this will remain unchanged over time.

Each group will have their own activities ranging from arts and crafts, construction, games, puzzles, and books.

We will rotate indoor and outdoor play having up to 3 groups outside at any one time.

Breakfast and snacks: -

At the Breakfast Club, children will serve their own breakfast. They will walk over to the hatch individually before going to their table to take a seat. Their individual space that will be wiped clean before and after they eat. A member of staff will be allocated to oversee this.

At the After School Club, the children will walk over to the hatch row by row to serve themselves with snack once they have been registered as usual. The next row will go once all children in the first row have their food, this will continue until all children have collected their food. A member of staff will be allocated to oversee this.

Hygiene practices: -



Children will **wash their hands**-on arrival in the morning and before eating breakfast, they will **sanitize hands** at the end of session before going to class.

Children will **sanitize hands** on arrival to the Club, wash hands before they eat and sanitize hands before leaving club.

Children will be encouraged to stay within their groups and efforts to stay **socially distanced** have been put in place in the event of a spike or advise from local borough to revert to previous protective measures. This can be achieved promptly and risk of spread of infection would possibly be low.

Children will be encouraged to follow the “**Catch it, Bin it, Kill it**” approach by providing a **box of tissues and bin with covers** near each table.

Equipment and resources cleaned before re used by another group

Tables will be wiped clean before each session and after food

Toilets and washrooms cleaned before each session and checked once during session in the afternoon

Additionally, tables and equipment to be wiped clean before each use and checked whilst group is outdoors or mid-session

Children reminded not to touch own, or others face

Club cleaning is appointed between staff on each shift

Outdoor play: -

Outdoor equipment will be cleaned frequently and before use from another group

Children will leave the hall in their groups to go to playground one at a time through double doors 1. They will return in groups by double doors 2 to avoid congesting the corridors and overcrowding, keeping in mind the children are of different ages.

Collection: -

You can collect your child from the main reception. On arrival press buzzer for ASC. A member of staff will verify collector through intercom, your child will be brought to reception, and we will sign them out. Please leave from the same gate.

Use of Personal Protective equipment: -

PPE will be worn by staff if a distance of two metres cannot be maintained from any child displaying coronavirus (Covid-19) symptoms.

Children whose care routinely already involves the use of PPE due to their intimate care needs will continue to receive their care in the same way.

How you can help us: -

At times, the club will use the screen in the hall, colouring sheets, work sheets or quizzes to learn about Coronavirus. We will use websites such as 'e-bug' and **PHE School's resource and Twinkle Learning Hub**. If you are also looking for resources to use at home, we recommend trying these websites.

<p>This policy was adopted by Early Bloomers After School Club on July 2020</p> <p>Review date: 26th Aug 2021</p>	<p>Signed: Mrs Talvinder Kaur</p>
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These procedures were written in accordance with <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protective-measures-for-holiday-or-after-school-clubs-and-other-out-of-school-settings-for-children-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak> (published 1st July 2020 and last updated 17th August 2021).