

Sunbeams Play

A haven for children and
young people with Autism

Health and Safety

22.a Covid-19

Managing Children/Young People

On arrival all children and young people will have their temperature taken via a non-contact infrared thermometer prior to entering the building.

Parents/carers will be asked if their child/young person has displayed any signs of being unwell or been in contact with anyone believed to be showing signs of a Covid infection.

Young people arriving without their parent/carer will have their temperatures taken and will be asked about symptoms and contacts.

Children and young people showing symptoms of Covid 19 must not attend Sunbeams.

Symptoms include:

- A high temperature (37.5 degrees C or above)
- Persistent cough
- Loss of taste and smell

Parents of a child/young person that presents with a high temperature or other Covid symptoms while attending a session will be contacted and asked to collect their child immediately.

All parents of the remaining children/young people attending the session will be contacted and asked to collect their child/young person.

Parents will be advised to follow the current government guidelines with regard to self-isolation and testing.

If a test is carried out showing a negative result all children/young people can return on their next allocated date.

Where a positive result is given all children/young people from that session will be informed and will be advised to follow the government guidelines.

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

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Managing Staff (including management, trustees and volunteers)

On arrival all staff will have their temperature taken via a non-contact infrared thermometer prior to entering the building.

All staff will be asked if they have displayed any signs of being unwell or been in contact with anyone believed to be showing signs of a Covid infection.

Staff showing symptoms of Covid 19 must not attend Sunbeams and must inform management as soon as possible.

Symptoms include:

- A high temperature (37.5 degrees C or above)
- Persistent cough
- Loss of taste and smell

Any staff that presents with a high temperature or other Covid symptoms while attending a session will be asked to go home along with the remaining staff.

The parents of the children/young people attending the session will be contacted and asked to collect their child/young person.

Parents will be advised to follow the current government guidelines with regard to contact, self-isolation and testing.

If a test is carried out showing a negative result and the staff member is well they can return on their next working day.

Where a positive result is given all children/young people from that session will be informed and will be advised to follow the government guidelines. All staff that were in contact with that person up to 48 hours before they became unwell will be asked to remain at home and advised follow to the government guidelines.

Managing the setting

Sunbeams will do their utmost to ensure we maintain a Covid secure setting with high hygiene levels. This includes the introduction of:

- Covid training for all staff.
- 1-1 support for the more vulnerable children and young people.
- Additional easy reach hand sanitizers within the setting.
- Individual 'Covid safety' boxes for each play-worker containing sanitizer, wipes, gloves and masks. Aprons are available if needed.
- Socially distanced entrances, tables and activity areas.
- Cleansing and sanitizing toys and equipment throughout the session and on closing.
- Soft furnishing covers replaced after each session.
- Deep cleaning twice a week including fogging.
- An award system for the children and young people to encourage acceptance and recognition of Covid guidance.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/safe-working-in-education-childcare-and-childrens-social-care>

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Signed on behalf of the management committee

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