Wheathampstead Playgroup and Coronavirus (Covid-19)

Playgroup will remain open unless government guidelines change to say otherwise, or should there be an outbreak of coronavirus (Covid-19) at Playgroup. If staffing issues become critical, this may have to change.

Playgroup's priority is to do the best we can for the children and part of this is ensuring that we keep them as safe as we can.

- Children are encouraged to wash their hands regularly with soap, especially before eating or handling food, after toilet visits and after coughing or sneezing.
- Children are being encouraged to use tissues to cover their nose and mouth when sneezing or coughing. They are then encouraged to dispose of them in a bin.
- Children never share cups or plates at snack time, breakfast or lunch.
- Surfaces, toys and equipment are cleaned regularly.

Please do not bring children in if they are suffering from any cold or flu symptoms including a cough or temperature even if symptoms are only mild.

Adults dropping children off at and collecting children from Playgroup must not do so if they have travelled from an infected country within the past 14 days, if they have been in contact with a confirmed case of Coronavirus within the past 14 days or if they themselves are suffering from any flu or cold symptoms.

If you or your child present with symptoms of a cold or coronavirus (Covid-19), please stay at home and contact Playgroup to let us know. The latest government guidelines state that you should self-isolate for 14 days if you suspect that any member of your family may have the coronavirus. If your child presents with possible symptoms while at Playgroup you will be contacted and asked to collect them immediately.

Staff will not attend Playgroup if they have travelled from an infected country within the past 14 days, if they have been in contact with a confirmed case of Coronavirus within the past 14 days or if they themselves are suffering from any flu or cold symptoms.

Should there be a suspected or confirmed case of coronavirus (Covid-19) at Playgroup, parents/carers will be informed.