



Parents and Staff Covid-19 Declaration Policy

At Berriew Preschool the safety of its staff, children and parents is paramount,

With this in mind, under new guidelines, All staff will be taking part in the twice weekly testing using the Lateral Flow Test Device LDF, (Please see information attached to this policy) We ask all parents/carers/staff to only attend preschool if no one in their home is showing any of the Covid-19 symptoms. You will have to sign every half term to confirm that you understand and agree to this statement.

What to do if anyone is showing symptoms:

If a child/staff or a member of their family is showing symptoms of COVID-19 (a new, continuous cough, high temperature, loss of smell or taste), they must not attend the childcare setting. This also applies to staff working in the setting. In an event of a child/family member having to go into self-isolation, you must let the pre school know as soon as possible, regardless of day or time. You can do so by private messaging the leader or IR, or emailing us direct on berriew16@gmail.com

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, however mild, you must self-isolate at home for at least 10 days from when your symptoms started. If you are not experiencing symptoms but have tested positive for COVID-19 you also must self-isolate for at least 10 days, starting from the day the test was taken. If you develop symptoms during this isolation period, you must restart your 10-day isolation from the day you develop symptoms.

After 10 days, if you still have a temperature you must continue to self-isolate and seek medical advice. You do not need to continue to self-isolate after 10 days if you only have a cough or loss of smell or taste, as these symptoms can last for several weeks after the infection has gone.

If you live with others, all other household members must stay at home and not leave the house for 10 days. The 10-day period starts from the day when the first person in the house became ill or if they do not have symptoms, from the day their test was taken.

If anyone else in the household starts displaying symptoms, they must stay at home for at least 10 days from when their symptoms appear, regardless of what day they are on in their original 10-day isolation period.

Staying at home for 10 days will greatly reduce the overall amount of infection the household could pass on to others in the community.

Following a positive test result, you will be contacted by a contact tracer on behalf of the NHS Wales Test, Trace, Protect service. You will only be contacted after you have had a positive test.

Vulnerable health groups

What has changed: Those who have previously followed shielding advice no longer need to do so. You can now follow the [same rules as the rest of the population in Wales](#).

This means:



- You no longer need to stay 2 metres or 3 steps away from people you live with or who are part of your extended household.
- You can now go to work, if you cannot work from home, as long as the business is COVID secure (has taken reasonable measures to minimise risk to employees);
- Children who have been shielding can return to school when schools re-start.
- You can now go out for any reason, including going to shops to buy food but you should stay 2 metres or 3 steps from other people.

Children and young people

In the same way as adults, children and young people no longer need to shield which means they can go back to school or college/university. There is also strong evidence that suggests many children and young people do not need to shield at any time because, in general, children and young people have a much lower risk of severe illness from COVID-19.

More advice can be found in the [guidance on shielding](#).

This **Parents and staff declaration Covid19 policy** for Berriew Pre-school was passed for use

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