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Dear Parents and Carers

Further to the First Minister's announcement yesterday, we are delighted that current scientific evidence now confirms we can move forward to allow the full time return to Early Learning and Childcare for all our children at Mayfield Nursery School from 22 February.

### **Arrangements for Drop Off and Pick Up**

Following the Scottish Government guidance and to help ensure that we as adults can remain 2m from each other at all times we have organised staggered times for drop off and pick up. A member of staff from your child's nursery room will phone you to discuss this with you and you will be able to select the times that are best for you.

Staggered times for drop off every morning are 8.45 – 8.55 OR 9.00 – 9.10

Staggered times for pick up from Monday to Thursday are 2.55 – 3.05 OR 3.05 – 3.15

Staggered times for pick up on a Friday morning are 12.25 – 12.35 OR 12.35 – 12.45

Do not worry about this, if you have any questions please discuss these with the member of nursery staff when they phone you. We have started our phone calls already so you may have received your phone call.

Please help us keep everyone safe:

- By wearing a face covering at drop off and pick up unless you are medically exempt
- Keeping 2m distance between you and other adults

This does make it difficult to speak to staff at drop off and pick up times so please let a member of staff know if you would like us to phone you to chat anything through with you. Please remember you can phone us at any time.

### **LFD Testing**

All staff who are returning to the nursery will be issued with LFD testing kits. The expectation is that staff will test at home twice a week and record results online. Schools will be recording the distribution of these kits following government guidance.

## **Risk Assessment**

As before, all schools and ELC settings have been risk assessed with colleagues from our Health and Safety service, with enhanced health and safety measures and protocols put in place that follow the current public health and government guidance.

These include observing the age-appropriate physical distancing measures outlined by current government guidance as well as public health advice to help reduce the spread of the virus, guidance on handwashing and hygiene, use of PPE, updated fire safety arrangements and use of transport.

If you would like to have a copy of our updated examples of what this means at Mayfield Nursery School, please just let us know. I can reassure you that whilst adults are remaining 2m from each other, there is no need for children to physically distance from adults or each other.

## **Cleaning**

Every school will continue to have an enhanced cleaning regime in place, with staff on duty throughout the school day. Toilets, door handles, bannisters and other surfaces in constant use will be cleaned on a rotational basis to ensure the highest possible levels of cleanliness.

## **Transport/Safe Routes to School**

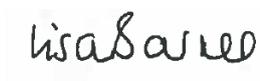
School transport will continue to run as normal and there will continue to be crossing patrols in place for those who have been asked to attend, or who have a critical childcare space.

## **School Lunches**

All children will continue to be provided with a school lunch Mondays to Thursdays.

We would like to thank you for your continued support as we develop our plans following this very recent announcement. We will keep you updated with any further information via our usual channels of communication.

Yours sincerely



Lisa Barnes

Head Teacher