

## **Puddleducks Covid 19 Risk Assessment**



Name of Setting	Puddleducks Nursery and Pre School
Name of Manager	Beverley Smith
Assessment completed by	Beverley Smith and Paula Fry (Health and safety officer)
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This risk assessment sets out the measures that may be used to maintain a safe environment for all occupants and visitors to the setting and to reduce the transmission risk of covid-19 coronavirus as far as is reasonably practicable. Particular attention must be given to those at greatest risk including vulnerable groups, pregnant women, and those with underlying health conditions.

RISK	CONTROL MEASURES TO CONSIDER	LOCAL APPLICATION OF MEASURES
1. Maintaining Social distancing – external areas		
Numbers of parents and children at entrance and exit impede social distancing.	<ul> <li>Instructions for parents/carers on social distancing rules on site.</li> <li>Staggered start/finish times for all families.</li> <li>Markers on floor for children and parents to wait. Ensure markings do not create slip/trip hazard</li> <li>Controlled entrance &amp; exit routes clearly marked &amp; ensure social distancing</li> <li>Where possible only one parent/carer to accompany child/ren</li> <li>Manager/Deputy manager on duty to supervise.</li> <li>Signage.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Inform Parents where possible one adult only to drop off and pick up</li> <li>Specified times given to parents/carers (relaxed at present)</li> <li>Specified route for entrance and exit explained</li> <li>Yellow paint markings on floor at 2m distance outside</li> <li>Signage to make clear, letter/information booklet to parents giving specific details</li> <li>Manager/Room Lead to manage in and out transitions</li> </ul>
Changes to setting routine cause vehicular and pedestrian traffic management issues.	<ul> <li>Encourage parents to walk/cycle to school with children.</li> <li>Stagger drop off / pick up times.</li> <li>Encourage staff to walk/cycle to school.</li> <li>Staff on duty to supervise.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Letter to encourage walk/bike to school.</li> <li>Staggered times (Relaxed at present)</li> <li>Manager to observe</li> </ul>

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2. Social distancing – internal areas and during		
Child numbers and room sizes impede social distancing	<ul> <li>DFE advice from 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020 states normal room sizes can apply. Room bubbles to be maintained where possible.</li> <li>Remove excess furniture to safe storage areas to increase space.</li> <li>Social distancing to be explained to children with regular reminders.</li> <li>Signage/Posters in each playroom</li> <li>Consider the use of school garden to extend the range of teaching spaces available.</li> <li>Allocate named staff to each room of children where necessary</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Removal of furniture</li> <li>Signs/posters</li> <li>Modified work</li> <li>Maximise use of outdoors</li> <li>Named staff with groups if required</li> <li>Explanation of rules and social distancing &amp; hygiene model</li> </ul>
Number of pupils and size of space impede social distancing when using toilets  Number of children and available space impede social distancing at break time and lunchtime	<ul> <li>Staff to supervise and enforce measures.</li> <li>Children and staff have clear social distancing visual measures in place to assist with waiting.</li> <li>Allocate staff toilets around the setting for different playrooms/staffing compliment</li> <li>Allocated play areas for each group.</li> <li>Staff supervision to maintain standards.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use queuing system to manage wait times for toilets.</li> <li>Allocate toilets around the setting for different playrooms</li> <li>Allocated play areas for each group.</li> <li>Staff supervision to maintain standards.</li> </ul>
Number of staff and size of staff spaces impede social distancing.	<ul> <li>Any crockery/cutlery used must be cleaned thoroughly.</li> <li>Removal of furniture to create more space.</li> <li>Removal of communal equipment (mugs etc)</li> <li>Staggered break times for staff. Staff toilets allocated by room.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Any crockery/cutlery used must be cleaned thoroughly using dishwasher.</li> <li>Taping off of chairs to create distance in staff room if required.</li> <li>Ensure that all mugs and spoons go through dishwasher and are thoroughly cleaned.</li> <li>Staggered break times for staff.</li> </ul>
3. Hygiene and Cleaning Cleaning staff levels are insufficient to deliver enhanced cleaning regime.	Guidance on cleaning non-healthcare settings     Agree the new cleaning requirements and time for this.	Staff follow daily cleaning checklist ensuring all daily requirements are captured and recorded.

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	<ul> <li>PPE to be worn by cleaning staff as dictated by risk assessment to include gloves and apron.</li> <li>Leave resources to de-contaminate for 72 hours if possible when rotated.</li> <li>Deep clean of areas used by children daily</li> <li>Carpets hoovered daily</li> <li>All outside equipment to be sanitised regularly</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Leave resources to de-contaminate for 72 hours when rotated – e.g books, sand and dressing up clothes.</li> <li>Clean of areas and resources used by children regularly.</li> <li>Carpeted areas hoovered night or mornings prior to children arriving.</li> </ul>
Insufficient handwashing and hygiene facilities increase the risk of transmission.	<ul> <li>Children to hand wash on entry to school, before and after each break and lunch, leaving school and after using toilet.</li> <li>Supplies of tissues and lidded bins in each playroom/area.</li> <li>Ensure help is available for children who cannot clean their hands independently.</li> <li>Ensure supplies of suitable soap.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Children to hand wash on entry to school, before and after each break and lunch, leaving school and after using toilet.</li> <li>Sinks are in every classroom already – provide soap and paper towels ensure these are filled regularly each day.</li> <li>Supplies of tissues and lidded bins in each playroom/area</li> <li>Ensure help is available for children who cannot clean their hands independently.</li> <li>Ensure supplies of suitable hand soap</li> </ul>
Exposure to new hazardous substances (products)	<ul> <li>COSHH assessment to be carried out for any new cleaning/sanitising products in use.</li> <li>Appropriate storage of hazardous substances.</li> <li>Material data sheets to be made available for new and existing products.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>COSHH assessment to be carried out for any new cleaning/sanitising products in use.</li> <li>Appropriate storage of hazardous substances.</li> <li>Material data sheets to be made available for new and existing products.</li> </ul>
<b>4. Site and Buildings</b> Visitors/contractors/suppliers on site increase the	<ul> <li>DfE Guidance on school premises management</li> <li>Site visits only by pre-arrangement.</li> </ul>	Site visits only by pre-arrangement.
risk of transmission.	<ul> <li>Information/signage for visitors informing them of the infection control procedures.</li> <li>Deliveries and visits outside of setting opening hours where possible.</li> <li>Provision of hand wipes/sanitisers at setting entrance.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Information/signage for visitors informing them of the infection control procedures.</li> <li>Hand wipes available for visitors when needed.</li> <li>Deliveries and visits outside of setting opening hours where possible.</li> </ul>

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Changes affect normal emergency procedures.	<ul> <li>Redeployed or displaced staff and children will be briefed on evacuation procedures.</li> <li>Review of fire assembly point to accommodate social distancing if required.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All staff and children will be briefed on evacuation procedures and reminded of procedures. These will practiced monthly.</li> <li>Review of fire assembly points to accommodate social distancing.</li> </ul>
Site security is compromised by new arrangements.	<ul> <li>Normal security standards will apply, doors which may be used for drop-off/pick up should then be closed during the school day (and locked if not fire doors).</li> <li>Additional ventilation used where possible and where deemed safe.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Normal security standards will apply, doors which may be used for drop-off/pick up should then be closed during the school day (and locked if not fire doors).</li> <li>Additional ventilation used where possible and safe to do so.</li> </ul>
5. Equipment and furniture		
Shared play equipment increases the risk of transmission.	<ul> <li>Soft toys, fabric, (excluding dressing up clothes) to be removed and stored safely.</li> <li>Individual items of play equipment to be cleaned regularly</li> <li>Garden Playhouse window made secure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Soft toys, fabric, (excluding dressing up clothes) to be removed and stored safely.</li> <li>Individual items of play equipment to be cleaned regularly.</li> <li>Playhouse window opening made secure using fixed acrylic panel</li> </ul>
Shared equipment, fittings and resources increase the risk of transmission.	<ul> <li>Remove unnecessary items from the playrooms and store elsewhere.</li> <li>Cleaning regime for door handles, press to exit buttons, communal surfaces.</li> <li>Resources and surfaces to be cleaned daily</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Remove unnecessary items from the playrooms and store elsewhere.</li> <li>Cleaning regime for door handles, press to exit buttons, communal surfaces – designated member of staff responsibility after each use.</li> <li>Resources and surfaces to be cleaned daily.</li> </ul>
Increased manual handling tasks increase the risk	Staff must not attempt to move large or heavy	Staff must not attempt to move large or heavy
of musculoskeletal injuries.	items unless they are fit to do so.	items unless they are fit to do so.
6. Health and Wellbeing		
Staffing levels (insufficient) cause supervision, ratio and safeguarding issues.	<ul> <li>Carry out an audit of all staff availability and review it regularly.</li> <li>Introduce a process for staff to inform you if their health situation changes.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Carry out an audit of all staff availability and review it daily.</li> <li>Staff to inform management if their health situation changes.</li> </ul>
Volunteer and Student placements wellbeing (if applicable)	Volunteers and students will be treated in the same way as setting staff and provided with the	

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Vulnerable / Extremely vulnerable children at higher risk of infection.	<ul> <li>same information, instruction, training and equipment.</li> <li>Volunteers and students will be included in regular communications and be given the opportunity to feedback any concerns.</li> <li>Parents should follow current medical/Government advice if their child is in this category.</li> </ul>	Parents to be informed of current guidance and asked not to bring their children in.
Person becomes unwell with Covid 19 symptoms in the setting.	<ul> <li>Move to a pre-designated room where person can be isolated, with adult supervision if a child.</li> <li>Ventilate the room if possible.</li> <li>PPE should be worn if contact is required.</li> <li>Inform parent/carer to arrange collection.</li> <li>Cleaning regime after each usage of the space.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Move to Sensory room where person can be isolated, with adult supervision if a child.</li> <li>Ventilate the room</li> <li>PPE should be worn by adult if contact is required (gloves, apron &amp; face mask)</li> <li>Inform parent/carer to arrange collection.</li> <li>Cleaning regime after each usage of the space.</li> <li>Use non-contact thermometer.</li> <li>Request child undertakes a test and keep in contact with parents.</li> <li>If setting has a positive case, setting will notify PHE SW HPT as per Government guidelines and follow/ implement instructions issued to us.</li> </ul>
Staff wellbeing affected by the working experience.	<ul> <li>Application of national guidance in respect of shielding and at-risk groups.</li> <li>Include staff in risk assessment process.</li> <li>Staff meetings and communication.</li> <li>Defined wellbeing support measures for staff.</li> <li>Designated staff rest areas.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Application of national guidance in respect of shielding and at-risk groups.</li> <li>Include staff in risk assessment process along with Government, Local Authority guidance</li> <li>Staff meetings and communication.</li> <li>Defined wellbeing support measures for staff.</li> </ul>
Pupil wellbeing is impacted by the current	Children to have allocated keyworker	Children to have allocated keyworker
situation causing physical and mental ill health.	Curriculum to support children's well-being.	Curriculum to support children's well-being.
First aid provision	<ul> <li>Ensure all staff know First Aiders on site if less than normal.</li> </ul>	<ul><li>All staff have up to date First Aid certificates</li><li>PPE kits available</li></ul>
	Ensure a supply of PPE is available for provision of first aid and use and dispose of accordingly.	Lidded bins for disposal and double bagging procedures to be used.

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1:1 teaching, physical restraint and children with	• Individual <u>risk assessments</u> of children with	Review Individual Risk Assessments for relevant
SEND or EHC plans are adversely affected by the	behavioural difficulties.	children
current situation.	<ul> <li>Ensure a supply of PPE is available based on</li> </ul>	PPE is available – to be stored in Sensory room.
	need.	Small quantities in each playroom also.
	<ul> <li>Reduced timetable or consideration of other</li> </ul>	Discuss provision EHCP children and how we
	solutions if child's behaviour puts staff at risk.	can support and minimise risk to staff by
		reviewing their Risk Assessments

I confirm that the above is a suitable and sufficient risk assessment based on current information. The risk assessment will be reviewed on a regular basis and whenever anything relevant changes. All relevant parties will be informed of the outcomes of this risk assessment.

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Name & Signature of Health and Safety officer	Paula Fry	Date: 26/5/20
Date of Review	3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2020	
Name & Signature of Manager	Beverley Smith	Date: 3/9/20
Name & Signature of Health and Safety officer	Paula Fry	Date: 3/9/20
Date of next review	11 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	
Name & Signature of Manager	Beverley Smith	Date: 11/1/21
Name & Signature of Health and Safety officer	Paula Fry	Date: 11/1/21
Date of next review	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	
Name & Signature of Manager	Beverley Smith	Date: 30/6/21
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Date of next review	1/9/21	