Sickness Policy COVID-19

In light of the current coronavirus pandemic we have amended our sickness policy to reduce the risk of transmission of the coronavirus within The Life Nursery.

If your child or anyone in your household has any of the following symptoms they must stay at home and follow government guidance of isolating for 14 days

* High temperature
* New or continuous cough
* Loss of taste or smell

If your child becomes unwell at nursery

* They will be isolated from other children
* You will be called immediately, and the child must go home
* You will need to follow government guidance and keep them at home for 14 days

Once early years and childcare providers open to more children, all children who are attending a childcare setting will have access to a test if they display symptoms of the coronavirus and are encouraged to get tested in this scenario. The aim is to enable children to get back to childcare, and their parents or carers not to self-isolate any longer than is necessary, if the test proves to be negative. A positive test will ensure rapid action to protect other children and staff in their setting.

We ask all parents and carers to ensure they organise a test for their child, in the event that they develop coronavirus symptoms, and notify us immediately of a positive test. Further guidance is available about [getting tested](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested).

This policy was devised by Louise Gray (Nursery Manager)

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