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| COVID-19 |
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At Enfys Hapus Nursery we promote the good health of all children attending through maintaining high hygiene standards and reducing the chances of COVID-19 being spread. We follow the COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Control for Childcare Settings (0-5 years) Nurseries Child Minders and Playgroups guidance.

COVID-19 can be spread from person to person through:

* Droplets – If an infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks, the droplets fly into the air.
* Aeroslized Transmission – lives in the air for up to 3 hours.
* Surface transmission – live on surfaces like plastic and stainless steel for 2 to 3 days.
* Fecal-oral – through soiling.
* Asymptomatic spread – someone unaware of being infected passing onto others.
* Presymptomatic soread – pass it on before signs of infection.

**Communication when wearing a Face Mask**

It is very important to ensure we follow government guidlines and show good practice when wearing face masks and face coverings in order to prevent COVID-19. However, it’s also important for us to ensure that we are familiar with the impacts of what face masks may have on a child that has a hearing impairment. The team at Enfys Hapus will ensure that all children are included and treated equally during this challenging time. We will do this by:

* Being flexible, creative and patient with various ways of communication to meet the individual needs of the child.
* Face masks with clear window are available for staff. This will enable the member of staff to communicate effectively with the child. This will also ensure that the child is equally included in communication.
* Ensuring the listening environment is as quiet as possible.
* Staff speak clearly and slowly to child at the child’s level.
* Ensuring face masks are accessible and available for staff. This will be done by making note of how many masks have been used and place another order for more to arrive at the setting.

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| 18th June 2020 | Paige Webbley | June 2021 |