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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.



**Handwashing and Hand Sanitising**

Hand hygiene is essential before and after all direct contact with a child and after cleaning equipment and the environment. It is important for all staff to:

* Wash hands thoroughly for 20 seconds by following example.
* All children are encouraged to wash hands regularly whilst in setting.
* When washing children’s hands they are encouraged to sing ‘Happy Birthday’ twice.
* Handwashing should be done:
	+ When arriving at the setting.
	+ After use of the toilet.
	+ Before and after eating.
	+ After returning indoors from outdoor play.
	+ After being in physical contact with other children.
	+ After sneezing or coughing.
* An alcohol-based hand rub can be used if hands are not visibly dirty or soiled.

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