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Hello everyone and Happy New Year,

We hope you have all enjoyed your Christmas and New Year holidays and we are looking forward to seeing all your faces again.

As you will know the news about Covid cases rising and Tier 4 restrictions in our area is moving very quickly and it is a confusing time for all of us in the Early Years sector.

At the moment we are doing our utmost to be open as normal for all children who normally attend. We have a couple of staffing issues which we are trying to resolve. As well as losing our Tuesday volunteer for the time being (hoping to have her back as soon as possible), the rules regarding our apprentice have to be clarified and are being discussed by the council as I write.

Please do send children as normal wherever needed tomorrow (Tuesday 4th) unless we hear otherwise from the government but please keep in mind that the situation at preschool regarding available staff and government instruction could change at any point. If it does, we will keep you all informed as quickly as possible. We hope to be able to run our usual timetable and hours but things can change very quickly.

Our risk assessment for Covid remains the same and does everything possible to keep children, staff and the community as safe as possible at the current time. One thing which I would like to ask is that at pick up and drop off times all adults should wear masks. This is a sensible extra precaution due to the heightened risk of transmission from the new Covid variant which appears to be spreading over the UK.

If you wish to keep your children at home at any time please do let us know.

I think I am already aware of which children are cared for by critical workers or are vulnerable but if you think I might be unaware of a change in your situation please let me know ASAP.

Best wishes and hope you are all keeping safe and well.

Ruth and the team at RMOP