

COVID-19 RISK MINIMISATION STRATEGY



Many families have been asking what steps Building Futures Montessori are taking in response to the Coronavirus pandemic. We hope to be part of the solution in slowing the transmission of Coronavirus by implementing the steps outlined below. These steps are a summary of the strategies listed within the more detailed *Building Futures Novel Coronavirus Management Protocols* document.

We appreciate your cooperation and support in keeping our children, families and staff healthy and safe.



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RESTRICTED ACCESS

Site access restricted to children of Building Futures Montessori and their immediate family only. Tours are suspended and access for anyone else is by appointment only and with limited access to centre facilities.

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NO ILLNESS ZONE

Children and staff who display signs or symptoms of illness (even minor) are to stay home. Prior to returning a medical clearance from your GP is required, coupled with permission from the Centre Director.

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MANDATORY COLLECTIONS

Any children who fall ill at the centre MUST be collected by a parent at their earliest convenience. These children will be isolated from their class until the parents arrive. Any staff who fall ill at the centre will be sent home.

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TEMPERATURE CHECK

All staff and children will have their temperature taken and recorded daily when they arrive at the centre. Any child or staff member with a temperature of 37.5 or above will be excluded.

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NO TRAVELERS

Children, their families or staff who have traveled overseas in the last 14 days must self quarantine for 14 days prior to returning to the centre.

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CONTAINED CLASS GROUPS

We are adjusting our normal program and routines to confine children to ONE room and ONE set of staff. Time outside will be rostered between classes.

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DEEP CLEANING

Staff to be washing and sterilising all crockery, cutlery and mouthed toys using sanitiser and/or boiled water. Touchpoints disinfected 3 times per day. Outside areas cleaned before each classes rostered time.

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SOCIAL DISTANCING

No handshaking and all physical contact is limited. Staff are to remain more than 1 metre away from each other and encourage children to try and practice this as well.

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REGULAR UPDATES

Management will regularly update families via emails, Facebook and notices around the centre. We will continue to be guided by the latest advice from the government and relevant health authorities.