

This guide aims to help parents/guardians understand the updated COVID-19 Health Protocols and take the appropriate actions.

We urge parents/guardians to be socially responsible and follow the health protocols, to safeguard the health of all children and staff in our preschools.



Protocol 1 – Child is unwell



See a doctor. If tested positive, the doctor will advise on the follow up for your child's recovery



Inform the preschool and provide the following information:

- Date that ART/PCR test was taken by healthcare professional
- Date that child started feeling unwell (e.g. fever, cough, running nose or sore throat)



Your child may return to preschool if:

- Well and test ART negative after 72 hours. Please show the preschool proof of your child's ART result taken after 72 hours; **or**
- Well on Day 7, 12pm, regardless of ART result. No need for further ART as the Ministry of Health (MOH) has assessed that confirmed cases are highly unlikely to be infectious by this time.

Note: No discharge/ recovery memo from doctor required

Protocol 2 – Child is well and tested positive



Inform the preschool and provide the following information:

- Date that ART test was taken and whether it was self-administered



Self-isolate for 72 hours and re-take ART



Your child may return to preschool if:

- Well and test ART negative after 72 hours. Please show the preschool proof of your child's ART result taken after 72 hours; **or**
- Well on Day 7, 12pm, regardless of ART result. No need for further ART as MOH has assessed that confirmed cases are highly unlikely to be infectious by this time.

Note: No discharge/ recovery memo from doctor required



[UPDATED] Protocol 3 – Child is a Close Contact of a COVID-19 Case



From 26 April 2022, MOH has stopped issuing Health Risk Notice (HRN) to close contacts

- Your child is advised to do an ART before leaving the house. If the ART is positive, please adhere to appropriate guidelines under Protocol 1 or 2
- Your child may return to preschool, if well. No need to show proof of negative ART result
- Closely monitor your child's health
- Inform your child's preschool if a household member has tested COVID-19 positive. This will enable the preschool to help monitor the health of your child closely

In line with the national transition to living with COVID-19, we have updated the SMMs in preschools to support children's learning and development.

From 26 April 2022, these activities may fully resume in preschools.



Outdoor play



Communal activities
(e.g. assemblies)



Learning journeys
and field trips



K2 graduation
ceremonies



Class
photo-taking

To keep our children safe as more activities resume, preschools will continue to keep to the following SMMs:



Health checks during arrival

Staff and children who are unwell will not be allowed to attend preschool until they have fully recovered



Health and travel declarations

As the COVID-19 situation remains fluid, inform your child's preschool:

- When your child or any household member has tested positive for COVID-19
- Of any intended/ updated travel plans



Visitor restrictions

Casual visitors are still restricted but parents may enter the preschool to:

- Accompany newly enrolled children (for half a day during the first 2 days)
- Attend parent-teacher conferences
- Support the preschool activities as volunteers
- Tour the premises as prospective parents



Cohorting of children

Children will continue to be cohorted by their class level or bay, and will remain within their respective cohorts for all programmes and activities



Mask wearing

All preschool staff must wear a mask. Children aged 2 and above are strongly encouraged to wear a mask or face shield to minimise risk of transmission



Maintain high levels of personal and environmental hygiene

As we learn more about the virus, it is important that we continue to evolve our measures so that we are able to live with the virus in a safe and sustainable way.

Let us work together to keep our preschools safe!