



**04.11.20**

**RE: COVID'19 restrictions within November National Lockdown (Updated)**

Dear Families,

Since the Government's announcement on Saturday 31.10.20, I have been working to ensure Avanti Gardens School remains as safe as possible for our pupils and school community. You may now find an updated COVID'19 Risk Assessment on our website for full details.

I have now received updated guidance from the Department for Education at 15:50 today with regard to some measure that does change my original letter (updates below in purple):

[https://www.gov.uk/guidance/education-and-childcare-settings-new-national-restrictions-from-5-november-](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/education-and-childcare-settings-new-national-restrictions-from-5-november-2020?utm_source=4%20November%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19)

[2020?utm\\_source=4%20November%202020%20C19&utm\\_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm\\_campaign=DfE%20C19](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/education-and-childcare-settings-new-national-restrictions-from-5-november-2020?utm_source=4%20November%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19)

**Below are some key updates that will apply from 05.11.20:**

-Contact with teachers will be conducted via telephone;

-If entering reception for drop-off collection outside of normal times, mask must be worn and remain 2 meters distant from others;

-Families will no longer be able to pick up each other's children due to households no longer being able to mix except in the following exceptions:

- early years settings and childminders remain open, and parents of under-5s can continue to use these settings as normal
- parents will be able to access other childcare activities (including wraparound care) where reasonably necessary to enable parents to work, seek work, attend education or training, or for the purposes of respite care for carers
- nannies will be able to continue to provide services in the home
- parents are able to form a childcare bubble with another household for the purposes of informal childcare, where the child is 13 or under
- some households will also be able to benefit from being in a support bubble, which allows single adult households to join another household

-Once child collected or dropped off, please exit the site immediately;

-Families to adhere to hands, face (for adults) and space as per guidance;

It is imperative that we all model safe behaviour to our children for the safety of our community. The coming month will present potential challenges, that the school will work hard on to overcome. We thank you in advance for your support and understanding during this challenging time.

As always, I am contactable through the office email address below for any queries you may have or to offer families any further support. The school will step-up to support our pupils and community through the challenging time ahead.

Yours Faithfully,

Mr Milum  
Principal