

## **Dear parents of children in day-care**

From Monday, April 20th, your children will be able to return to day-care, nursery and kindergarten. However, it will not be the same as before the Corona epidemic broke out and everything closed down. We must continue to limit the risk of infection as much as possible, which is why there are several conditions that we must fulfil. At the same time, it must be safe and good for your children. The children must have the nearness and care they need, and there must be possibilities for fun and development. We are therefore working hard, right now to get it all in place.

Ensuring the right conditions is a big task. The City Council of Gribskov Municipality, therefore, chose to postpone the reopening from 15th to Monday 20th April. The City Council also decided to maintain the Mini-FO scheme starting on Wednesday, April 22.

In the letter hereabouts you can read about the particular circumstances, that will occur when we open on Monday, and how to relate as parents. You will also receive more information from the conductor, in your child's day-care, about how it will be arranged in your particular case.

The current plan is based on the guidelines of the National Board of Health, as they appear now. There may be something that can be resolved in a better way, and new guidelines may befall. You may, therefore, feel that changes are taking place. You will always be informed as soon as possible.

For us to succeed in a good, safe and healthy sound reopening, we need your help. We can only do it unitedly.

Right now, every day-offer is in the process of planning the new everyday life. They reorganize toys and daily routines, plan where and how to deliver and pick up children. They plan how to accommodate and re-establish the relationships between children-adult and children-children, now that they should gather in smaller groups, etc. All educational routines and activities must also be reorganized, and new hygiene habits and behaviours will be established. You will hear more about it from your administrator as soon as there is an overview of everything practical.

The entry of new children in the coming period is agreed individually between parents and administrators, so that it is safe for the individual child, and that everyone is aware of mutual expectations.

## **Common guidelines in day-care**

### **Cleaning:**

- Cleaning is done more frequently than usual.
- Every toy is thoroughly cleaned twice daily.

- Children should not bring toys from home.
- Toys that cannot be cleaned according to the instructions are packed away.

### **Hand hygiene**

- Children and adults wash their hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and water.
- Parents who deliver their child in day-care, must either wash their hands or disinfect them, as they enter.

### **Further distance**

- All adults should keep extra distance to each other when delivering and picking up their children - it is the responsibility of the parent to keep their distance.
- We should not avoid close contact with children - but we will limit physical contact whenever possible, and keep away from parents and colleagues, as much as possible.

### **We are outside as much as possible**

- We plan the day so that we are outside as much as possible. We avoid being too many inside, at once.
- Parents are not allowed to gather in groups when children are delivered or picked up. It is the parents' responsibility that this does not happen.
- Children should be delivered and picked up outside, as possibly.

### **Smaller groups**

- Children are separated into smaller groups.
- We ensure that the children are delivered and picked up reassuringly.

REMEMBER to adhere to the guidelines for leisure in spare time.

### **Eating**

- Starting with the point, all children must have prepared lunches - with a clear name on.
- We`ll eat lunch in teams so contact between the small groups, is reduced.
- We do not share food, and it is not allowed to hand out anything on birthdays.

### **Disease**

- Children with the slightest symptoms of illness should stay home.
- Sick children are called home and must stay home if showing the slightest symptoms. Sick children must be picked up as soon as possible.
- If Corona has been diagnosed within the family, children should not be allowed day-care, until 48 hours after the last patient has shown, no symptoms.

### **Practical matter**

- All parents must ensure that their contact information is updated, on Børneintra.

- It is important for the sake of staff resources and planning, that you deliver and pick up your child, at the time you have agreed upon, with the day-care.

## **New and different everyday life**

We must all prepare for everyday life NOT to be the same as before. We must cooperate in a new educational framework with new terms and other routines. It can create insecurity and turmoil. But children are good at adapting to new environments and routines - oftentimes its more difficult for us adults. Talk to your children and prepare them to go to day-care, nursery or kindergarten again - but in a slightly new way. Reassure them that there is an OKAY way and that everything is good. In the individual day-care, we will also talk to your children in a concrete and non-frightened way. We will talk with them when it fills them and reassures them if they become confused or insecure.

We do everything we can to keep day-care safe and fun to attend. By helping each other and cooperating with parents about it, it can be a success. If you are questioning things in the day-offer in the upcoming period, then we want you to call and talk to the manager about it or send an email.

Take a look at this little movie about going to Kindergarten again with your child.

[Film: Sådan går vi i børnehaven igen](#)

We look forward to getting started again.