

## ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES

Adults working with Preschoolers-2 Directresses 3 hours per day x 5 day week, 1 Music instructor 30 minutes per week.

Adults working with Kindergarteners-2 Directresses 1 Music/French Directress (same person)

### In-class Interactions

The goal for adults working with children this age is to help them to understand and recognize the personal space of others.

We have replaced a handshake greeting with eye contact and an exchange of words that reflects grace & courtesy.

All children have their own personal materials in class: Pencils, crayons and papers. Working materials are cleaned at the end of each school day.

Food will not be shared, plexiglass is in place at our 2 person snack table to aid separation. Snacks are prepared and served by the teacher.

Full day students eat lunch at their own tables.

Classrooms are stripped down to allow children more space to move and items are removed that are difficult to clean.

Students are given their own workspace, however, allowed to move about the classroom, consistent with Montessori philosophy, to encourage independence.

Staff are able to distance by 2 meters between other staff members.

Educators wear masks when interacting with each other or when another adult may enter the building.

### Health & Hygiene practices

Parents are responsible for assessing their child's health each day.

Before the children start their program at the school, parents are notified that they are responsible for conducting a daily health check on their child.

The daily health checklist can be found on our website [bbmschool.ca](http://bbmschool.ca) and parents can download an app applicable for children attending K-12 schools.

Staff are required to complete a health screening on a daily basis upon arrival to work.

Staff & students all will have instructions on protocols for hand washing, sneezing, & coughing.

Should a child become ill during the day, they will be isolated, given a mask to wear, supported by an educator and parents will be called for pick up. Staff who may feel ill must leave for the day and seek health advice.

Children will be washing their hands upon entering and exiting the school and during the day when transitioning to a new activity.

High touch areas in the school are cleaned mid-day by staff.

A natural product (MFCD approved) is being used on wooden materials shared by the children.

Daily custodial practices follow thorough cleaning and disinfecting with products recognized by Health Canada.

An air purifier has been purchased for the preschool classroom. Windows are open as much as possible to allow a cross breeze in class and facilitate air movement in the classroom.

Children will not take part in serving their own food or sharing food.

All wrappers and organic waste will return home with the child.

### **PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT**

Masks will be available to all staff; reusable & disposable as well as sneeze guards. Masks are not mandated for children or adults in a childcare setting. Therefore we respect that each individual staff member and family will exercise their personal choice. New K-12 Guidelines require adults working with children age 5 and up to wear masks other than when eating, drinking, and not working in their personal work space.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL MEASURES**

More of in-class learning will take place outside. We have extended the preschool classroom with an outside space.

Two additional canopies have been purchased to allow for outside learning.

A Plexiglas sneeze guard is installed around the office for parents & staff who need to access the Office Administrator.

A plexiglass divider has been installed between the preschooler table so they are able to have snack together

Staff will be able to use a table sneeze guard when working with a group of children.

A new gate has been installed as a barrier to parent access to the inside of the preschool classroom and to avoid congestion with adults at pickup and dropoff.

Posters can be found in washrooms and shared spaces as a visual reminder to follow health & safety protocols.

### PERSONAL MEASURES

Keep children home when ill

Staff stay home when ill

Staff & parents practice PHO health & safety measures

Everyone Practice Respiratory Etiquette & Personal Hand Hygiene

*“We are all in this together”*

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