



Covid-19 Safety Guidelines for Scarf Members re: Youth Club Spring Term 2022

Due to covid, we have prepared some simple guidelines for members attending Youth Club during Spring 2022 with the aim of keeping everyone safe and minimising the risk of spreading the virus.

We want to set out the steps we are taking and everyone's responsibilities for staying safe. It is of course your decision whether to participate in the activities on offer. If there is anything you think we can do to improve these guidelines, or if you are still worried about staying safe, then please let us know.

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- Youth Club is currently taking place at the New Milton Rugby Club. Whilst inside over the winter months, good ventilation will be maintained where possible, and sanitation stations available for everyone's use.
- Currently government guidance (since 02/12/21) is for masks to be worn by all participants (both support workers and children/young people) during the session, unless they are exempt.
- Inside activities will be designed to avoid too much close contact/huddles and activities designed to avoid using objects that have been handled by others, or have cleaning arrangements in place if this is unavoidable.
- Seating/tables will be arranged to optimise spacing and reduce face to face interactions.
- Our Scarf support workers will have been briefed on these guidelines.

Families

Before

- Before attending Scarf Youth Club we are asking that participants (including staff and any visitors) who are taking part undertake a Covid-19 Self-Test (Rapid Antigen Test), often these are referred to as a lateral flow test. Test kits are available to order online following this link <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> or can be collected from a number of high street chemists as well as having a test at a chemist such as Boots. Tests results for each person attending must be negative. An inconclusive test should be retaken and if it proves inconclusive again, then unfortunately you will not be able to attend an activity. If you have a positive test result, then you will need to follow Government guidance on testing and

self-isolation. If children/young people are already testing regularly for school/college then there should be no need to do additional tests. Please contact Scarf for advice if you are unsure and if you are experiencing any problems with testing please don't worry, just let Lucinda know.

- Before you attend a session please check whether your child/young person has any covid or cold-like symptoms (as Omicron presents with cold-like symptoms) and do not attend if they have symptoms, or is anyone in your household self isolating due to covid (government guidelines encourage other household members to limit their contacts, particularly with vulnerable people, which would include many of Scarf's members – please see the guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>).

During

- Children/young people will be encouraged to practice good personal hygiene (hand sanitiser/wipes/tissues, etc. will be available and children encouraged to use them).
- Drinks will be provided during the session – we are not currently offering snacks at youth club.

After

- If you display symptoms after your Scarf activity please let the Scarf team know as soon as possible – we may need to share this information with Test and Trace.
- If you think we could have improved social distancing and hygiene during the session, please let us know.

Thanks for the taking the time to read through the guidelines and if you have any questions please just get in touch. We have updated our Risk Assessments for our Youth Club – if you would like to see the full documents, please let us know and we will be happy to send it to you directly.

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