**STEPPING STONES PRE-SCHOOL GROUP**

**STAY SAFE, KEEP HEALTHY, ENCOURAGE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR,**

**THEREFORE ENJOY, ACHIEVE AND BE HAPPY**

“Big journeys begin with small Stepping Stones”

***RETURN TO STEPPING STONES during the Coronavirus pandemic- PARENTS DECLARATION***

*The purpose of this declaration is to state that you agree to the safety measures mentioned, that we need to make to re-open your ‘outstanding preschool’ and the access arrangements and times stated in the letter of 25th August.*

You can help us by talking with your child about the need to stop touching/kissing/hugging their friends at the moment, so that we have a consistent approach. This is so sad, but necessary, and by

 reassuring your child that even if our routines are a bit different, we will still have lots of fun!

We are sure that you have all been practicing washing hands many times a day, and using a tissue to catch any germs, kill and bin them!

*Please ensure that you all wash hands before leaving home and we will continue this many times a day*

We suggest ‘pull-ups’ if your child is not yet toilet trained, if possible please

Please apply sunscreen before you leave home, we will play outside as much as possible.

We will have to greet you outside for the time being, so sorry that we cannot invite you into our welcoming reception area, but please do not hesitate to ask for any parenting information that you are unsure about, we will do our best to provide notices on the outside of the building.

**What should my child bring in to Stepping Stones?**  As little as possible really!:

*A* ***named*** *bag containing a change of clothes, pull ups (nappies) and wipes if required, sunhat, coat, wellies, and drink of water in a recognisable unbreakable bottle* ***all named please***

***\*\*Please do not bring any items or own toys into Stepping Stones***

*Further safety measures:*

* I will practice the ***social distancing rules*** wherever I go, especially at the school and preschool and understand I may have to leave the preschool by walking down Creeping Lane (no driving up or down this lane, please). I will wear a mask when walking over the school premises (one parent only please)
* If my child shows **any signs of illness**, I will not bring them in to Stepping Stones: I will phone Stepping Stones on 01736363050 and advise accordingly.
* If anyone in my child’s household shows symptoms of Coronavirus, we will not come to preschool, we will go into isolation and I will arrange a **‘test and trace’** by phoning 119 or via the NHS website. I will advise Stepping Stones of the outcome.
* I will collect my child immediately in the event that my child becomes sick at Stepping Stones, and keep my emergency contact numbers up to date.
* If my child suffers with asthma, I will contact Stepping Stones to discuss a safety plan

**Guidance links:** <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/early-years-and-childcare-coronavirus-covid-19>

This includes updated guidance for what to do if you or a family member is still **shielding**, what to do if you display **symptoms** of Coronavirus, how to keep yourself and your children **safe on line** and much more.

*Please sign in agreement:*

My child’s name is:…………………………………………………………

I agree to all of the safety measures mentioned by Stepping Stones Preschool for the protection against Covid 19

My most recent and quickest contact numbers are:………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Parent/carer’s signature……………………………………………………………………………………….Dated……………………………………..