



WE'RE ALLOWED TO OPEN AGAIN!

Monday, May 11, the doors can and will open again for all children, all day. And we are very happy with that! Of course with a different workingmethod and new rules. To minimize the chance of an infection within Villa Bambini, it is important to allow as few adults as possible to enter the company. Bringing and picking up is therefore arranged in such a way that parents do not have to enter the building. Below you find per group the new working method to ensure that we can all work safely and thus keep the daycare open. As always, drop off is between 7:45 AM and 9:30 AM. If there are too much people, we have to prepare a schedule, but hopefully that is not necessary. Note: babies are now on the blue group, the small junior toddler group is on green!

Important general changes:

- In addition to the usual gate to the garden on the Van Spaenstraat, the gate on Amsterdamseweg will also be open for the baby and senior toddler parents. The junior toddler parents of green and orange therefore come through the usual gate.
- We're lucky with three entrances to the building. In addition to the normal front door, the old blue front door will also serve as an entrance for the baby group and the gate and the stairs down to the double outer doors of the junior toddler group will be the entrance for all junior toddlers (the orange group and the new green group). This way, we can keep parents separated from eachother during busy drop off and pick up times.
- For the safety of the teachers (and therefore for the progress of our care) we will minimize contact between teachers and parents. So the oral transfer takes place via the parent portal and parents are requested to keep the bringing and picking up time as short as possible.
- We are forced to follow a strict policy when it comes to the common cold: **children with a cold are not admitted to the daycare.**

THE BABYGROUP (BLUE)

Please note: the babies are now on the blue group as previously announced!

- The babies come and go through the gate at the Amsterdamseweg and are brought to the blue front door. There are markings for 1,5 meter outside the gate in case several people come at the same time because the queue cannot be formed in the garden. The row for the babies is highlighted in blue. If there is no other parent at the blue door, one parent and child (ren) will go through the gate to the blue door at the same time. Don't forget to close the gate properly!
- We request the baby parents to come up with a maxi-cosi. Make sure that the child's name is also clearly put on the maxi-cosi. The child can then be placed in the maxi-cosi in the opening of the door so that the teacher can remove it from there. If you don't have maxi-cosi, ask the teacher for a bouncer to put your child in.
- Agree the time when you come to pick up your child with the teacher, and we will make sure that it is ready on time, in the maxi-cosi or the bouncer.

THE JUNIOR TODDLERGROUPS (GREEN AND ORANGE)

Please note: the small junior toddler group is now the green group!

All toddlers go through the normal gate on the Van Spaenstraat. There are markings for 1,5 meter outside the gate in case several people come at the same time because the queue cannot be formed in the garden. The row for the toddlers is highlighted in orange and green. If there is no other parent between the gate and the doors to the orange group, one parent and child (ren) will go through the gate directly through the second gate and then down the stairs to the double doors. Do not enter the group but let your child go to the leader who is inside. We are well aware that this can be difficult for the toddler, in general and especially now, after they have not been coming for a while. If it is necessary for the teacher to come and collect the child from you, we ask everyone to do so with averted face as much as possible. The teachers take off their own coats and shoes with the children.

The junior toddlers will be outside every day at 4 pm (in good weather) because they have to go back at 5 pm on busy days. The senior toddlers have to be picked up downstairs at the end of the day and with the junior toddlers and the senior toddlers together that will lead to too many children in the front yard on busy days. Pick-up is therefore done on busy days in the same way as bringing (at the double doors and do not enter the group!) and on quiet days they will play with the toddlers in the front garden and can therefore be picked up at the gate.

Multiple children who have to go to different groups?

No problem: in good weather you can let your senior toddler out in the garden and then drop off your baby and then your junior toddler. In bad weather you first drop your baby, then your junior toddler and then you walk in with your senior toddler. Pick up in reverse order.

THE SENIOR TODDLERGROUP (RED)

The senior toddlers go through the gate at Amsterdamseweg and can be sent in the garden where the leader is in good weather (in that case parents stay outside the garden). In bad weather you can go through the garden and ring the bell at the front door. The teacher then tells you whether you have to wait until another parent is gone or whether you can continue walking. Take your child up the stairs as usual, but do not walk onto the group yourself. That dropping off can be difficult for the senior toddlers in general and especially after they have not visited in some time, we are well aware. If it is necessary for the teacher to come and collect the child from you, we ask everyone to do so with averted face as much as possible.

Picking up also happens in good weather at the Amsterdamseweg gate, unless you arrive before 17:00. In that case go to the normal gate on the Van Spaenstraat and press the horn on the gate. The teacher on the roof terrace sees you and ensures that your child is brought down to the gate.

In bad weather, the picking up procedure is the same as the dropping off procedure in bad weather (gate on the Amsterdamseweg, through the garden and ring the bell at the senior toddler group).

CHILDREN WITH A COLD STAY AT HOME

From May 11, a very strict rule applies: children with a cold are not allowed. We follow the government that states that:

Children who have one of the following complaints: colds, runny nose, sneezing, sore throat, mild cough, fever to 38 degrees or whose roommate has a cold and fever (above 38 degrees Celsius) and / or shortness of breath may not go to the (emergency)day care. They have to stay at home.

Our teachers are also instructed to return children to parents immediately upon arrival in the event of these symptoms. The reason for this is clear: if corona enters the company through an infected child, we must close the doors and no one can provide shelter anymore. We assume that all parents understand this and will cooperate.

EXTRA ATTENTION FOR HYGIENE

Hygiene is always important on a daycare but now it's extra important. The faces and hands of all children are washed with their own washcloth with soap and their own washcloth with water before they are cuddled, so immediately after entering. Everything is prepared for in the morning.

Every day, one person is charged with keeping everything clean that is often touched by people such as door handles, light switches, coffee machine etc.

We ask parents who have to come in to the daycare to use the alcohol pump that hangs on the left immediately upon entering the corridor and to keep away from the other people in the building.

ATTENTION FOR SETTLING IN

The children have not been to the daycare for almost two months and that is a long time when you are still small. We are aware that the safety measures do not make it easier for the first time to go back to the group: parents are not allowed to come in and cannot hang around and say extended goodbyes. Extra attention and patience will be needed in the first week and will be given extensively by the teachers for the children to settle in as easy as possible.

NEW BABIES, NEW TEACHER SCHEDULE

You would almost forget that there is also other news, but Gemma from the toddler group gave birth to a beautiful daughter named Zoë. We wish her and her boyfriend a nice leave of absence!

But there is more baby news: Tessa and her husband are also expecting a baby in September! Congratulations!

There are a number of schedule changes:

- Ilona will go from the senior toddler group to the junior toddler groups.
- Tessa will be in the baby group for 2 days and in the senior toddler group for 2 days.
- And our former intern Amber has finished her studies and is coming to fill in, which we are very happy with! So you will see her regularly on the different groups.