



## TINY T'S STORYTELLING & THEATRE COVID 19 SAFETY POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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We are taking the safety of all our attendees and staff very seriously this summer and have decided to finally open up our face-to-face Theatre School at Tiny T's. It is very exciting however we need to of course ensure we have all safety procedures in place to be able to continue!

With the children's and staff's safety at the forefront of our minds, we are limiting our classes/camps to just 15 children per day until further notice.

Although we are keeping our numbers to a minimum, please state if you are booking siblings or your children have friends / children from their school bubble attending.

We shall be following government and Public Health England's advice in terms of the numbers of children, social distancing measures, sanitation and cleanliness, extra safety procedures, an updated medical and illness policy and a risk assessment of all activities we run.

Please see below a breakdown of the steps we shall be taking this summer 2021. (June and August 2021.)

To ensure we can have as much distance as possible, June Theatre School will be kept very small. If we feel we can have more children attending in August we will release more tickets.

We will be doing our best to adhere to the government advice in regards to socially distancing from each other but of course can not always guarantee with young children that they will be distanced at all times. We will however do our very best to keep everyone safe.

Although after May 17th we hope restrictions will be lifted, our Teachers and assistants will distance from each other and as much as possible from the children. We will encourage children to be very aware of their personal space and maintain distance from each other.

### **SANITATION AND CLEANLINESS -**

We will be adhering to all the recommended sanction and cleanliness procedures at camp this summer 2021. We always maintain a very high standard of hygiene at all our camps, but this summer we have put extra measures in place.

- Children will wash their hands on arrival - There will be regular hand washing throughout the day for both children and staff -
- Children must please bring their own bottle of hand sanitiser to camp -
- Toilets will be sanitised after any child uses them -
- Any outdoor play equipment will be sanitised after every use - Tabletops and touch points through the school will be cleaned regularly throughout the day
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### **WHAT TO WEAR**

- We encourage dress up but only if the child is able to change their clothes themselves or has a sibling that can help. Our staff would usually be happy to help but as it is such difficult times our staff need to remain distanced as much as possible. We will of course supervise safely if a child is in need however.
- Otherwise, if your child often likes to get changed out of fancy dress, we advise just to wear something sparkly and comfortable!

### **WHAT TO BRING**

- Children must please bring their own bottle of hand sanitiser to Theatre School -
- Please bring just a clearly labelled lunchbox and water bottle - **IMPORTANT - WE ASK THAT YOU DO NOT BRING ANY FOOD CONTAINING NUTS. IF ANY IS FOUND WE WILL HAVE TO TAKE IT AWAY.**
- If you would feel more comfortable, you can bring your own labelled pencil cases. We will of course have our own pens and pencils that will be sanitised but it is up to you.

### **MEDICAL AND ILLNESS POLICY**

- If your child is unwell unfortunately we cannot accept them into our Theatre School. If any other member of your household is ill, displaying symptoms that may be coronavirus, we would ask that you please do not send you child to Theatre School, even if they are feeling totally well with no symptoms. If your child has a temporary other condition such as an ear infection for example, and they feel well in themselves, then we can accept them into our Theatre School. If they are on antibiotics for such a condition, we can administer this.

#### **If Your child falls ill or has an accident whilst with us**

- We are totally prepared at Theatre School and always have qualified first aiders who are able to deal very effectively with minor incidents or health concerns, such as small knocks or grazes and so on. An accident form is always filled out and a parent is notified upon collecting their child. Should a child suffer a more serious injury or fall ill during camp, you will be notified immediately. If a child tells us they feel ill during their day at camp, they will be taken to an isolation space with a member of staff who will be dressed in PPE and have their temperature taken.
- If their temperature reads outside of the normal parameters, then the parent and emergency contact will be called and the child will have to be collected. In the intermittent period they will be kept in that isolation space with that same member of staff. If their temperature reads as normal but they are displaying other obvious signs of illness, we will also phone the parent/emergency contact and require the child to be collected.
- Again, in the intermittent period they will be kept in that isolation space with the same staff member. We would then ask that you monitor your child at home. If anything develops that render it possible your child may have coronavirus, we will not be able to accept your child back at Theatre School until they have had a coronavirus test with negative results and your child feels better. If the test comes back positive we would please ask you to inform us so we can notify the entire Theatre School. If your child's temperature reads as normal and they do not seem to display any other symptoms of illness (other than the fact they tell us they feel unwell) we will then ask them a series of questions to better understand why they are complaining of being ill. In our experience, especially with the younger ones, they can sometimes complain of feeling ill for other

reasons such as being tired, missing a parent, needing the toilet, feeling hot and bothered etc. In this case, if we feel the problem is likely to not be illness, we will happily continue with the child at our Theatre School and keep a close eye on them throughout the rest of the day. We will still call the parent to let them know this has occurred but won't expect the child to be collected at that time. We will notify the parent if anything changes.

- If Government advice changes, then we will be able to adjust our procedures accordingly.