

## People Directorate

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Dear Parent / Carer

### Childcare provision for critical key workers

The overall national objective at present is to slow the spread of Coronavirus. For that reason all schools have been closed from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. At the same time there is a need for critical services to continue to operate. At this stage key workers include:

- NHS: all staff including primary care; pharmacy and dentistry
- Health and social care staff
- Emergency services staff, including those at Glasgow Prestwick Airport
- Key staff working at National Air Traffic Service, Prestwick (NATS)
- Staff who work in prisons
- South Ayrshire Council staff designated as critical service providers
- Education staff providing child care for other key workers

The definition of key workers may change as the spread of the virus progresses. At the start of the week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> March, parents who are in the above categories and who require childcare are asked to take their children to their existing school or childcare provider. Transport will not be provided, and unless you are entitled to a free school meal, you should provide a packed lunch. The service at a local school will only be for the coming week. During this week parents are asked to complete a registration form and apply to one of the list of providers at the end of this letter. The service provider will contact you to confirm a place by the end of the week.

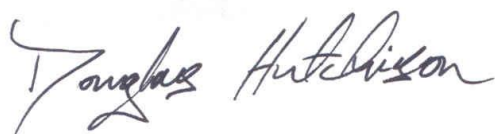
The situation is changing on a daily basis and we will respond to changing circumstances over the coming days and weeks.

### **Childcare Services Available for Key Workers in South Ayrshire (This list may be updated to include additional services)**

	Phone no.	Age range
<b>TROON</b>		
Granny Smiths 22 Ayr Street Troon	01292 316606	0-14
Marina View 131 Templehill Troon KA10 6BQ	01292 317031	0-12
<b>PRESTWICK</b>		
Pine Trees 1 Ayr Road Prestwick	01292 475372	0-14

Fly High Early learning and Childcare 13-19 Main Street Monkton KA9 2RN	01292 373943	0-10years
<b>AYR NORTH</b>		
Kirktonholme@owlandpussycat 9 James Street Ayr	01292 266976	0-14
<b>AYR SOUTH</b>		
Busy Bees Ayr Hospital Dalmellington Road Ayr	01292 268452	0-8
Doonvale Private Nursery Doonholm Road Ayr	01292 440400	0-12
Alphabet Yard South Harbour St Ayr	01292 260444	0-14
Riverbank Nursery Citadel Place Ayr	01292 268014	0-10
Rosemary Logie Childminding Ashgrove Street Ayr KA7 3AQ	07964668230	0-16
<b>ANNBANK AND MOSSBLOWN</b>		
The Meadows 74 Mauchline Rd Mossblown KA6 5DL	01292 521182	0-12
<b>MAYBOLE AND GIRVAN</b>		
Children 1 <sup>st</sup> Wesley Road Girvan KA26 9DD	01465 710161	0-5
Girvan Early Years Centre Wesley Road GIRVAN KA26 9DD	01465 716802	0-14

Yours faithfully



**Douglas Hutchison**  
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