

9th February 2021

Dear parents and carers,

I am happy to announce that KCA will be opening more services.

We have been working during this lockdown providing a very limited number of day care spaces to children and young people who have been referred to us by social care and they receive limited or no other provision during this time.

Half-Term 15/2 to 19/2

Our Half-term schemes will be open next week Monday through Friday. My team will be contacting you from today to discuss availability and bookings.

However, we have to keep the number of daily sessions below the government recommended group sizes. This is to further reduce current infection risks. Each day we will be offering sessions based on school bubbles to the extent this is practical. For example children who attend Woodlands will have separate days to those who attend Kingsley.

After School Club

Our ASC will return on Monday 22/2. KCA will contact you to confirm bookings in the next few days. If you are looking to use the service for first time please email play.youth@kidscanachieve.co.uk.

Weekends

Our Saturday Club and Outreach services will return gradually from 27/2. All our services will continue to be centre based until restrictions are lifted and infection risk is far lower.

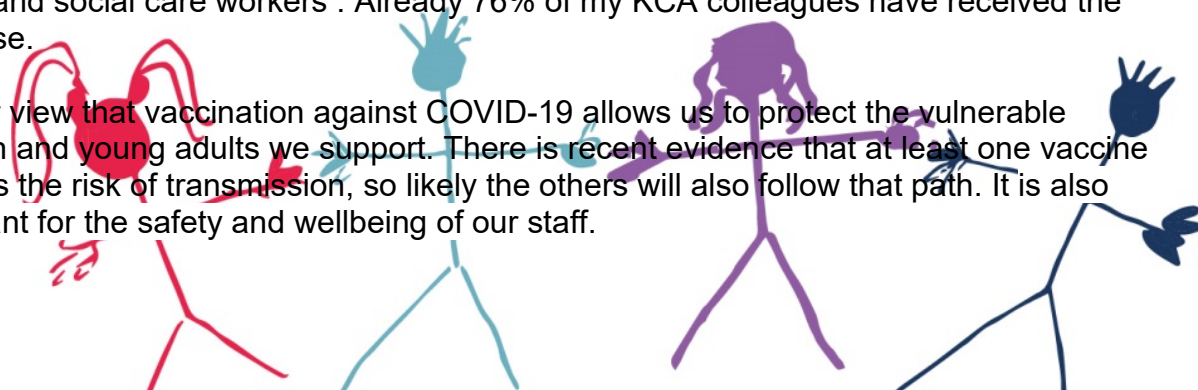
Day-Care

We will continue supporting children that currently attend day-care at KCA again from Monday 22/2 and for as long as this service is needed.

Covid19 Vaccinations

I am very happy to tell you that KCA was given access to the vaccination scheme for health and social care workers. Already 76% of my KCA colleagues have received the first dose.

It is our view that vaccination against COVID-19 allows us to protect the vulnerable children and young adults we support. There is recent evidence that at least one vaccine reduces the risk of transmission, so likely the others will also follow that path. It is also important for the safety and wellbeing of our staff.



Testing

We have successfully introduced weekly testing for our core team, utilising community resources. We will be expanding the scheme to the wider staff team from next week. We have also requested access to supply of Rapid Lateral Flow tests which will be managed at KCA.

We continue to follow government guidelines and have strict & robust infection control measures in place which we constantly review.

As we will be gradually increasing available services we will be looking forward to see you and your children again.

Best regards from me and everyone at KCA!

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