

Aoife and Daithí go to Playpod Pre-school



Aoife and Daithí have been playing at home
for a very long time.



There is a virus in the country.

Daithí told Aoife that a virus can make you very
sick!

Aoife and Daithí learn about all of the things
they can do to keep themselves safe.



- Aoife and Daithí heard a lady on the radio
- say that they can go back to pre-school in a pod and see their friends again.



“A POD! What’s that?”
they both shouted
together.



Daithí wondered if it was like
two peas in a pod.



Aoife imagined a space shuttle
with two astronauts inside.



This couldn't be right!

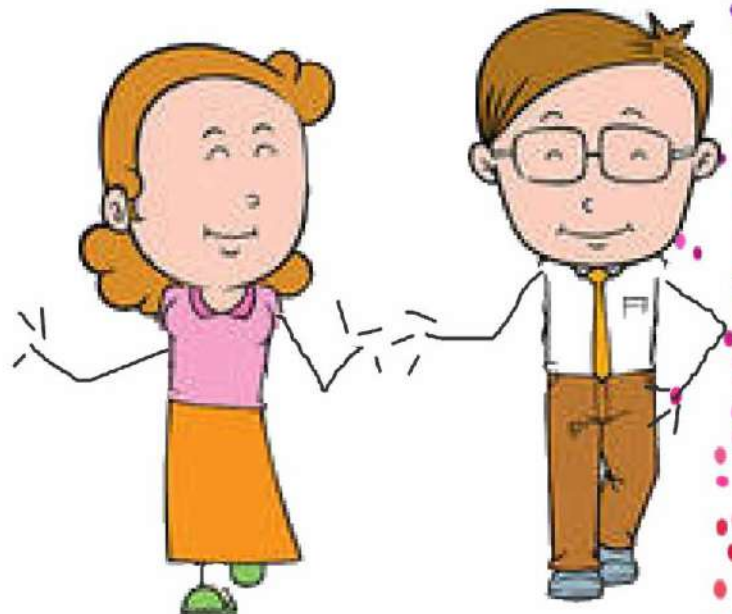
The peas and the astronauts
were too close together.




People from other families
can't be too close together
right now.



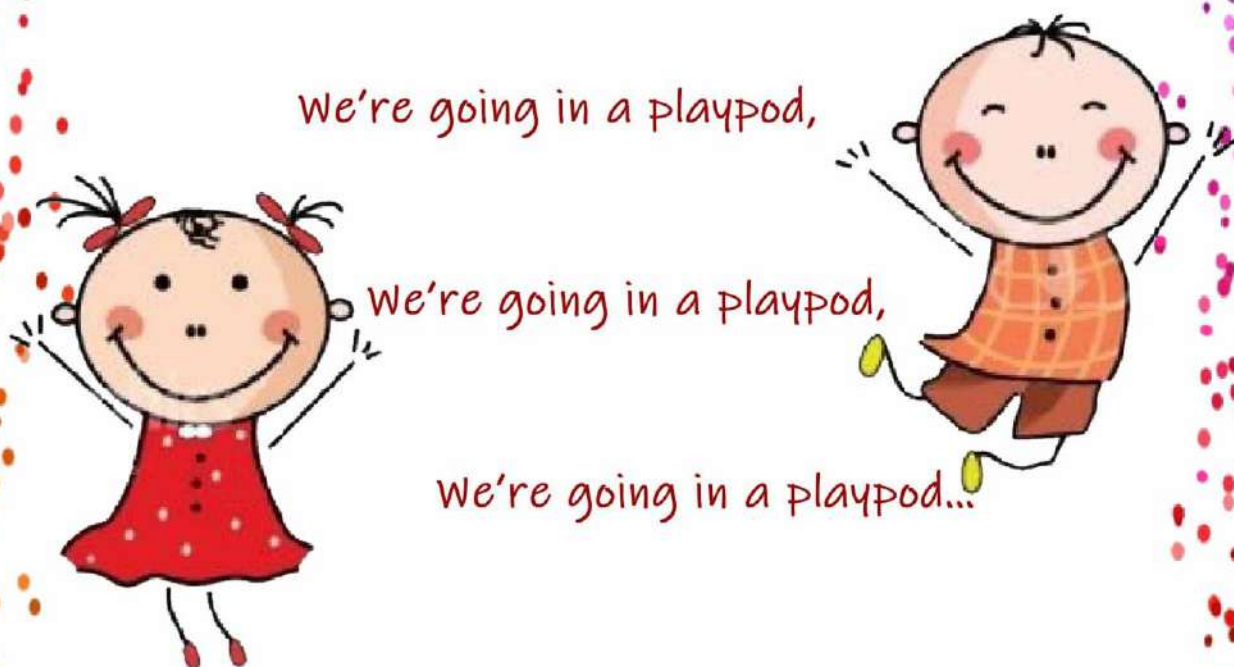
Just then, mammy and daddy
came into the room.




Aoife asked – “what’s a pod?”



Mammy explained that a playpod is a new idea that will help them go back to pre-school safely to join their friends.



“Ooooooh that sounds fun,” said Aoife and they both started singing and dancing around the room. “We’re going in a playpod, we’re going in a playpod, we’re going in a playpod.”



And daddy added that they would have to
be super careful to avoid the virus.

We're going in a playpod,
We're going in a playpod,
We're going in a playpod...



Did they know how?



Aoife said, "We must wash our hands often and let's not forget to sing our hand washing song."



Daithí started singing
'Happy Birthday'

"It's always someone's birthday", said Aoife,
"but I like singing the rainbow song best!"

Sing A Rainbow

Red and yellow and pink and green
Purple and orange and blue
I can sing a rainbow
Sing a rainbow
Sing a rainbow too



Listen with your heart
Listen with your heart
And sing everything you feel
I can sing a rainbow
Sing a rainbow
Sing along with me
Red and...



Daithí said, “I know all the times that you should wash your hands.”



After playing in the garden.

After using the bathroom.



After coughing and sneezing.

“And don’t forget before you eat”, said Aoife.



Suddenly Aoife felt a big sneeze coming on and she remembered to sneeze into her elbow.

“That’s what you must do if you don’t have a tissue and you want to sneeze or cough”, she said.



“And you must always put the tissue in the bin”, said Daithí.





“Wow!

You guys have really been paying attention.
Anything else?”
asked Mammy.

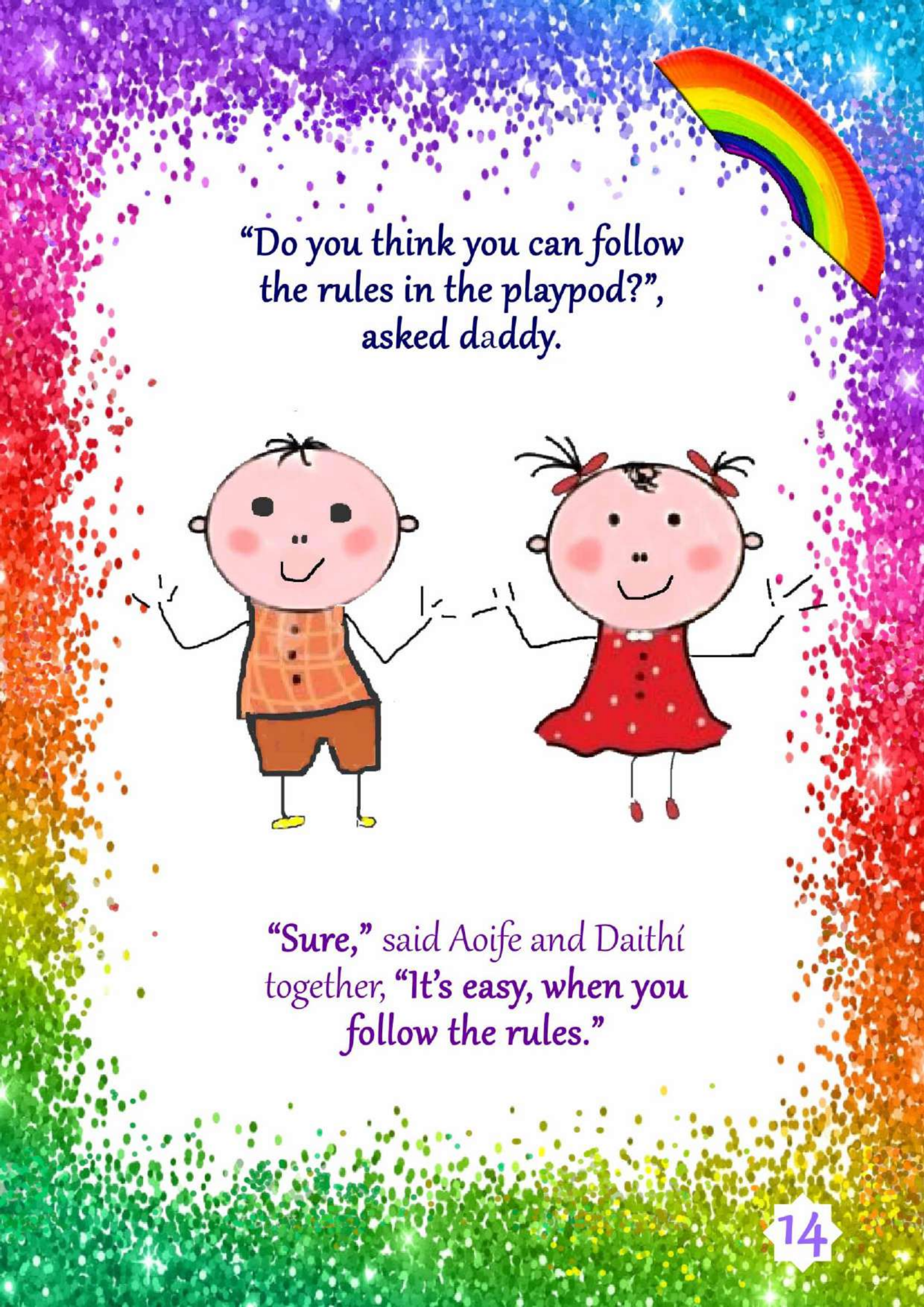


“Always listen to your
teachers and follow the
playpod rules when you
are at pre-school,”
said Aoife.

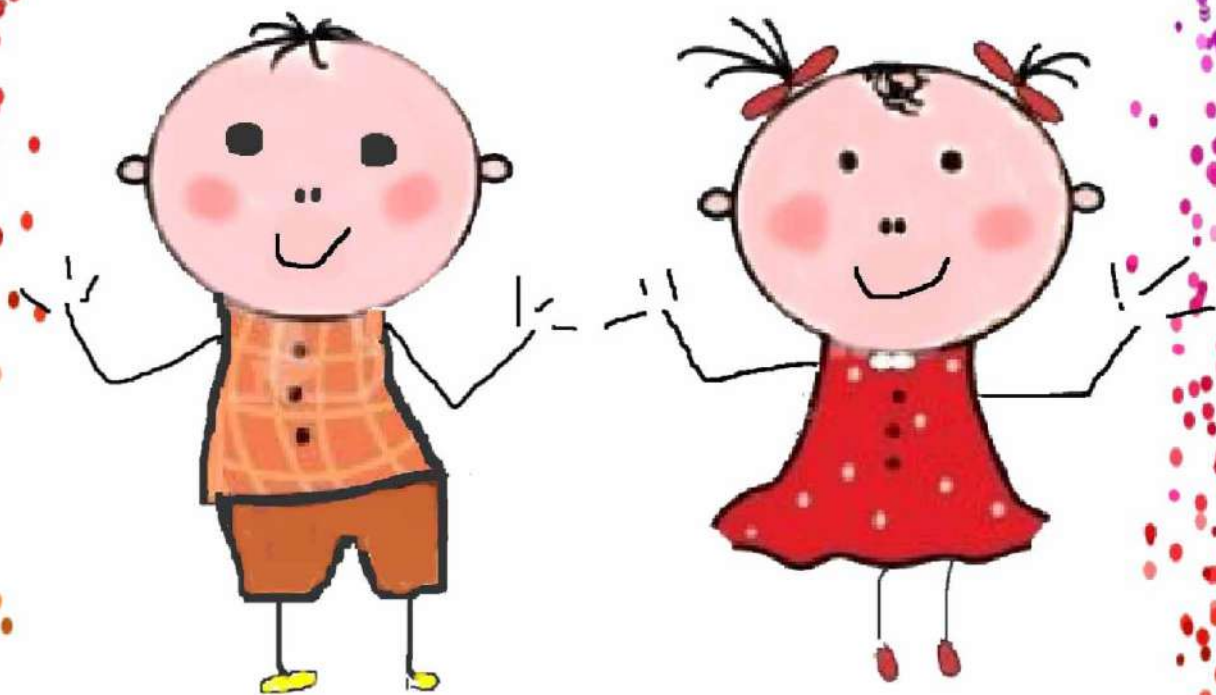


“Exactly,”
answered Daddy.
“They will keep you safe
and help you to have
fun.”





“Do you think you can follow
the rules in the playpod?”,
asked daddy.



“Sure,” said Aoife and Daithí
together, “It’s easy, when you
follow the rules.”



The next day Aoife and Daithí
go to their pre-school.



Daddy leaves them at the
gate where they meet
Margaret, their pre-school
teacher.





Inside the room looks a little bit different.
They can only play with things that can be
cleaned easily to keep them safe.



Aoife was happy to see that her best friend,
Cassie was in her playpod.

Daithí's best friend, Ali was in a
different playpod, but he could still see him
and talk to him from a distance.





Aoife and Daithí listen carefully to Margaret's instructions and wash their hands regularly. They can still play with their friends, just not as many as before.



They sing and dance and play outside.





Rules for Aoife and Daithí's Pre-school Pod

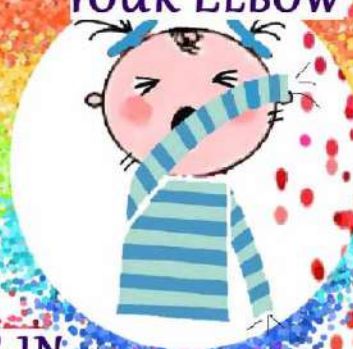
KEEP WITHIN YOUR OWN
POD



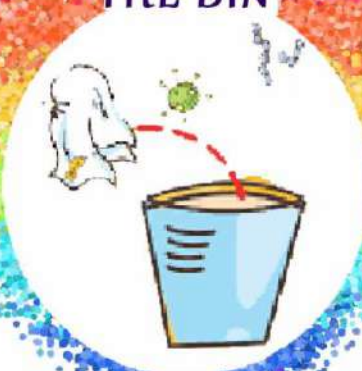
WASH YOUR HANDS
OFTEN



SNEEZE AND COUGH INTO
YOUR ELBOW



THROW USED TISSUES IN
THE BIN



LISTEN TO YOUR TEACHER





Play in the Pod



Margaret explained that they will still have the same activities, but some things, like playdough, will be in a small tub with your own name on and only YOU can use it.

Many inside activities can be played outside.

Inside



Outside



When you follow
Aoife and Daithí's
rules, you can be
safe too!





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