

## **RISK ASSESSMENT-Covid 19 Response Sept 2021**

Please refer to ' Operational Guidance Document Sept 2021

### **GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTATION**

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### **SCHOOL POLICIES**

Child Protection

Wellbeing Policies

Online Safety

Remote Learning Policy, Protocol and Expectations

Health & Safety

Attendance Policy

Behaviour Policy

There are important actions that children and young people, their parents and those who work with them can take to help prevent further spread of the virus.

In all education, childcare and social care settings, preventing the spread of coronavirus involves dealing with direct transmission (for instance, when in close contact with those sneezing and coughing) and indirect transmission (via touching contaminated surfaces). A range of approaches and actions will continue to be implemented to do this.. These can be seen as a hierarchy of controls that, when implemented, creates an inherently safer system, where the risk of transmission of infection is substantially reduced. These include:

- A requirement that people who are ill with covid 19 symptoms stay at home
- Robust hand and respiratory hygiene
- Enhanced cleaning arrangements

- Protocols to deal with an outbreak of Covid-19 in school

Hazard (something with the potential to cause harm)	What could go wrong?	Who may be harmed?	What is done to control the risk?	What more needs to be done?	Who is responsible
Covid 19	<b>General Hygiene</b>  Increased transmission of Covid -19	Staff Pupils Parents	Thorough hand washing /sanitising will continue throughout the day with sanitiser stations in place around the school.	Sanitiser stations refilled regularly  Posters displayed as visual reminders	Site Managers JT classroom top ups.
			Reminders about good respiratory hygiene covered in induction activities. Catch it! Bin it! Kill it!	Posters as visuals E-bug resources	Staff
			PPE available for dealing with accidents and incidents including gloves, masks, aprons.		JT

			Water fountains to continue to be used to fill bottles and not for direct drinking.		
	<b>Ventilation</b>  Increased transmission of Covid -19	Staff Pupils	Ventilation will remain important in limiting transmission inside. Windows should be open and doors that are not fire doors.	Reminders about which fire doors should remain closed	Staff
	<b>Cleaning</b>  Increased transmission of Covid -19	Staff Pupils	Enhanced cleaning will remain including: Virabact spray in classrooms for cleaning tables/equipment as necessary.  Additional toilet cleaning  Staff to ensure tables are clear at the end of each day to allow the cleaners to clean thoroughly each day.	Regular refills	JT  Site managers  Staff
	<b>Testing</b>  Reduce infections within the community	Staff	Staff encouraged to use LFD tests 3 days before the start of term to check Covid status -this includes those fully vaccinated.  Staff encouraged to test 2 x weekly throughout the term even if fully vaccinated.	Stocks of LFD tests maintained and logged	WP/JT

	<p><b>Positive test result</b></p> <p>Infection control -increased transmission</p>	<p>Staff Pupils</p>	<p>If a member of staff or pupil tests positive for Covid 19 they should isolate immediately and book a confirmatory PCR test.</p> <p>If the PCR test is negative, within 2 days of the LFD test, they may return to work/school and stop isolating.</p> <p>If the PCR test is positive they should isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms and contact tracing will be used to inform close contacts.</p> <p>Pupils displaying Covid symptoms in school should be isolated in the medical room and parents/carers contacted to collect them to be tested.</p> <p>From 16th August 2021 children aged 18 and under will no longer be required to routinely isolate. Those in close contact will be required to book a PCR test. If this is negative they can return to school.</p>	<p>Reminders to staff as to the protocols.</p> <p>Updated information for parents.</p>	<p>Staff</p>
	<p><b>Outbreak control</b></p> <p>Increased transmission of Covid 19</p>	<p>Staff Pupils</p>	<p><b>An outbreak is defined as several confirmed cases over a period of 14 days.</b></p> <p>In case of an outbreak we will contact the DFE for support and guidance. It may be necessary to step up control measures to ensure the safety of everyone. Measures taken will be kept to a minimum but may include all or some of the following:</p>	<p>Updates info for staff and parents</p> <p>PPA available - face coverings, gloves, aprons</p>	<p>SLT</p>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Creating a bubble for the affected Year group to reduce transmission. This may mean separate breaks/lunches, play areas, assemblies.</li><li>• Encouraging adults within the affected bubble to wear face coverings when in close contact.</li><li>• Enhanced cleaning regime</li><li>•</li></ul>		
