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Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan - Sept. 2021

When No need to All students must attend school unless they are ill From 16th August 2021, children under 18 (or double should my isolate vaccinated adults) do not need to self isolate or miss **Child Self** school if a member of their household or a contact isolate or has covid. miss If you are a close contact you must book a PCR test school? but continue to come to school so long as you have no symptoms and the test result is negative If your child develops symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test. Yes you need Not a Lateral Flow test. to isolate If your child develops symptoms at school they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test If your child tests positive for COVID, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household



- Transmission. No School Cases.
- There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school
- Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable.
- Hospitalisation/ Deaths due to Covid nationally are low.

No Covid measures are necessary beyond:

- Reminding children of good hand-hygiene.
- Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where
- Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test).
- Masks worn in communal areas

Staff and students will continue to test themselves using Lateral flow tests until the end of September.



Transmission

- No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but...
- Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.
- LA Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave.
- Ventilation of classrooms increased & hand-washing supervised.
- Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced.
- Staff-room capacity is reduced.
- Whole-school assemblies are replaced with Key Stage assemblies.
- Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Line-Managers to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/groups).



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Number of Cases:	Description:	Actions:
A single student tests positive	 A single student tests positive for Covid in a class. There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group. No other year groups are affected. 	 The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it as outlined HERE The parents of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts. Likely contacts will be contacted by NHS Track & Trace and advised to book at PCR Test. The school will contact parents to advise this if close contacts are known. Children do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for the result of the PCR test unless they have Covid Symptoms.
5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.	There have been 5 cases of Covid across a year group within 10 days which could mean that Covid is spreading within that group of children.	 As above for each positive case. The school will discuss the outbreak with The Local Authority Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures for 10 school days, including: Re-introducing staff and student face masks for corridors & communal areas. Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances. Reverting to video-link Assemblies in classrooms. Enhanced cleaning and sanitising routines Resuming twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing.
Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.	Despite the measures indicated above, Covid cases within the school continue to rise within a 10 day period with multiple classes and staff affected, suggesting that Covid is spreading widely throughout the school.	 Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and LA Public Health to agree further measures, for a further 10 school days, including: Re-introducing class bubbles. Limiting all non-essential visitors to school. Postponing all non-essential events. Re-introducing remote learning for individual groups for 10 school days considered, as outlined HERE

The school will inform parents of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed.