



# Links to Government guidance on preparing to open from 1st September 2020: REVIEWED: 5th January 2021

| Risk rating | Risk  | Actions and strategies in place to manage/ reduce the risk  | Date in place |
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|             | Tier 4 Specific<br>Guidance and Risk<br>Management: | • Shielding advice is currently in place in tier 4 areas, and so all children still deemed clinically extremely vulnerable are advised not to attend school. Not applicable at the moment at SH.  |               |
|             |   | Children who live with someone who is clinically extremely vulnerable, but who are not clinically extremely vulnerable themselves, should still attend school in all local restriction tiers.   |               |
|             |   | <ul> <li>Advice for those identified through a letter from the NHS or a specialist doctor as in the group deemed clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV or shielding list) was published on 13 October. The guidance provides advice on what additional measures individuals in this group can take tailored to each local restriction tier.</li> <li>In local restriction tier 4 areas, individuals who are clinically extremely vulnerable are advised to work from home and where this is not possible, they should not go into work. Individuals in this group will have been identified through a letter from the NHS or from their GP and may have been advised to shield in the past, most recently in November 2020. No staff have currently advised SLT that they are CEV.</li> </ul>  |               |
|             |   | • All other staff in local restriction tier 4 can continue to attend work, including those living in a household with someone who is clinically extremely vulnerable.   |               |
|             |   | Clinically vulnerable staff can continue to attend school. While in school they should follow the sector-specific measures in this document to minimise the risks of transmission. This includes taking particular care to observe good hand and respiratory hygiene, minimising contact and maintaining social distancing in line with the provisions set out in section 6 of the 'prevention' section of this guidance. This provides that ideally, adults should maintain 2 metre distance from others, and where this is not possible avoid close face to face contact and minimise time spent within 1 metre of others. While the risk of transmission between young children and adults is likely to be low, adults should continue to take care to socially distance from other adults including older children and adolescents. People who live with those who are clinically extremely vulnerable or clinically vulnerable can attend the workplace unless advised otherwise by an individual letter from the NHS or a specialist doctor. Pregnant women are in the 'clinically vulnerable' category and are generally advised to follow the above advice, which applies to all staff in schools. All pregnant |               |



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|  | women should take particular care to practise frequent thorough hand washing, and cleaning of frequently touched areas in their home or workspace, and follow the measures set out in the system of controls section of this guidance to minimise the risks of transmission. An employer's workplace risk assessment should already consider any risks to female employees of childbearing age and, in particular, risks to new and expectant mothers (for example, from working conditions, or the use of physical, chemical or biological agents). Any risks identified must be included and managed as part of the general workplace risk assessment. As part of their risk assessment, employers should consider whether adapting duties and/or facilitating home working may be appropriate to mitigate risks. |                |
| Pupil Numbers  | All parents requested to indicate with proof that they are classed as a Critical Worker or their child is categorised as a Vulnerable pupil.  All numbers vetted by the Office and SLT.  Pupils allocated their Year group 'bubbles' - with school routines (below) as normal as is practicable.  Week 5th-8th Jan 2021- All staff in school to ensure all are familiar with new routines  Week 11th - Feb half term - Skeleton rota in place for Teachers, Support, Office and lunchtime staff (where possible).  All rotas weekly reviewed to ensure Compliance with H&S and that pupils in school and remote learning are receiving their entitlement.   |                |
| How will we maintain social distancing? FY through to Y6 | Recent research in to this is showing that good ventilation has a real impact on lowering transmission of the virus in indoor environments. Keeping windows open in classrooms is vital to allow stale air to be removed. If turning the heating up is not doing enough to keep everyone warm, please allow children to wear warm clothing in classrooms. This may need to include coats if the weather gets particularly cold.   |                |
| adjustments to premises / classrooms?                    | Drop off and collection must be considered  All parents enter via the ONE ENTRANCE 1+ metre rule to be enforced while they are waiting for staff to receive /drop off their children  All Parents are reminded to wear a face covering on the school site at all times  Staff members wear PPE when meeting adults / parents face to face.  |                |
|  | PPE optional when working with the children dependant on the staff members condition<br>All staff issued with PPE equipment for their own use only  |                |
|  | Staggered start and finish times- not required: Classes on arrival will meet in designated areas outdoors: KS2 and KS1 playground. (adults socially distanced 1+ m apart)   |                |
|  | Children are to stay in their classroom groups, with allocated staff for the whole day where TAs are shared, they can move between classes.   |                |





Usual classes using usual toilets -cleaned after break by Mr Watchorn and by staff as required throughout the day - Mr Watchorn to provide cleaning materials

Classrooms arranged with all desks front facing

Staff when supporting children with their work to stand behind the child and not face on.

Children to only use their own pencil ruler... resources.

One-way system in corridors to reduce mixing. Arrows will be on the floor to assist.

All parents to enter the site at the entrance gate on Earlsbury Gardens and leave site via the car park gates on Bayswater Road.

Parents are reminded not to wait and chat at the gate as it can cause congestion.

### **Staggered lunchtimes**

#### KS1

FY, Year 1, Year 2 lunchtime 12-1pm 12-12.20 eating. 12.20-1.00 KS1 outside

#### KS2

Year 3 and Year 6 lunchtime 12.00-1.00

12.00-12.20 outside

12.20-12.40 lunch in dining hall

12.40-1.00 outside

Year 4 and Year 5 lunchtime

12.20-1.20

1.20-12.40 outside

12.40-1.00 lunch in dining hall

1.00-1.20 outside

### Lunchtime staff supervision

FY/Y1 12-1pm Mrs Cooper Mrs Uddin

Y2 12-1pm Mrs Tadesse

Y3 12.30-1.20pm Mrs Bent

Y4 12.30-1.20pm Mrs Patel

Y5 12.30-1.20pm Mrs Dawda

Y6 12.30-1.20pm Mr Miller



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| Free time (free flow) Infection Control  Handwashing and hygiene | Break times 10.30-10.45 FY in FY playground Year 1 and Year 2 split on KS1 playground 10-15-10.30 Year 3 and Year 6 split on KS2 playground 10.35-10.50 Year 4 and Year 5 split on KS2 playground No larger gatherings – masses, assembly, collective worship will take place. Assemblies will be sent via the IWB /zoom Signage/Tape to be used to reinforce messages FY will need to ensure that all resources used as a communal are routinely cleaned. After each use the resources will be thoroughly cleaned using the appropriate cleaning products by the staff members of that class. Children will be reminded they must wash their hands before and after each use of the resources.  Children will be reminded they must wash their hands before and after each use of the resources.  Children informed again of the importance of social distancing whilst outside.  Look at providing activities which can abide by the rules or minimising the amount of children in one area. Supervising staff must keep a 1+ metre distance from each other as reasonably practicable.  Staff will direct children to either use the hand sanitiser and proceed to their classroom (another member of staff supervise children) or they will be directed to the toilets to wash their hands (member of staff will supervise)  Inform the child of the importance of washing their hands after using the toilet and where possible accompany them to ensure this is carried out  Academy to ensure each classroom has wipes and handwashing resources Premises and cleaning team to ensure these stocks are maintained daily  Tissues available on each Teacher table, encourage children to use when coughing or sneezing and they must go into a bin after one use. | The rost dynati   |
| Safeguarding concerns  | DSL or DDSL on duty for every day open  Extra vigilance will be required as vulnerable families and others emerge from lockdown.  |                   |
| Concerns   | Referrals to CASS  Bereavement issues to follow the CCS training and school policy  |                   |



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|             | First aid supplies                      | Academy to provide stocks of PPE to ensure enough gloves, aprons etc for when dealing with asymptomatic pupils or             |  |
|             | including PPE for                       | pupils requiring first aid. Staff treating anyone with symptoms to wear PPE.  |  |
|             | staff when dealing                      | Procedures in place for isolating anyone who develops symptoms on site. Disabled toilet area - door closed and                |  |
|             | with children/ adults                   | windows open.   |  |
|             | with symptoms                           | Intimate Care Changing clothes  |  |
|             |   | When staff are carrying out any intimate care they must:  |  |
|             |   | Wear Gloves, wear an apron, Wear a mask   |  |
|             |   | wipes etc. must be double bagged and placed into a bin (preferably a closed bin)  |  |
|             |   | Soiled clothes to be double bagged and given to Parents on collection of child.   |  |
|             |   | Staff must wash their hands once gloves and masks are removed   |  |
|             |   | Record all intimate care carried out. Where minor first aid treatment is required First Aiders must ensure they wear          |  |
|             |   | gloves and a face covering when dealing with injuries.  |  |
|             |   | Ensure records of injury and treatment are recorded and who administered first aid treatment.                                 |  |
|             |   | Always wash hands after contact   |  |
|             | First Aid – Life                        | In the event of a serious injury or incident call 999 immediately.  |  |
|             | threatening                             | Wear face covering and gloves when in close contact or dealing with bodily fluids   |  |
|             | Infection Control                       | In the event of CPR being required it is advised only chest compressions are given and use of a defib if available.           |  |
|             |   | Always wash hands after contact   |  |
|             |   | Children's medical needs will be reviewed for each classroom and medication to be added to classrooms as required             |  |
|             | First Aid &                             | First Aiders must always wear gloves when administering first aid procedures.   |  |
|             | Medication                              | It is advisable a face covering is worn if having to deliver close contact first aid. (always refer to up to date information |  |
|             | Infection Control                       | from Gov.UK)  |  |
|             |   | Any dressings used to be double bagged.   |  |
|             |   | Where any medications are administered try and encourage the children to self-administer or consider wearing a face           |  |
|             |   | covering (always refer to up to date information from Gov.UK)   |  |
|             | Children who are                        | Where a child is upset it is advised still trying to maintain a safe distance whilst offering comfort to child.               |  |
|             | upset                                   | Encourage child to use a tissue to wipe eyes/nose etc.  |  |
|             | Infection Control                       | If contact is required, consider wearing a face covering.   |  |
|             |   | Wash hands after contact  |  |
|             |   |   |  |
|             | Children with                           | Where possible allow the child to vent their frustrations   |  |
|             | behavioural issues                      | Where possible allow child to be in a room on their own or outside  |  |
|             | Infection Control                       | If 'React UK restraint' techniques are required, it is advised face coverings and gloves are worn. (available in bucket in    |  |
|             |   | each classroom)   |  |
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| pupils may have experienced significant grief and bereavement as a result of the current situation. How can you support them on returning to school? | Our Place mentor referrals Recovery Curriculum Collective worship RE  |                   |
| Break Times – Staff<br>Room<br>Infection Control   | Staff must sit at least 1+ metres apart from each other Staff must make their own drinks/food and wash and dry their own cups and other crockery and utensils Limit of six staff in the staff room at once. Staff must wear a face covering in all communal areas.  |                   |
| Play areas<br>Infection Control  | Whilst children are outside or there is a break between morning and afternoon sessions, clean tables, equipment and door handle with a mild disinfectant or disinfectant spray / antibacterial wipes.  Wear gloves whilst carrying out this task and wash hands after cleaning.   |                   |
| Refreshments for<br>children<br>Infection Control  | Children will sit in small groups and where possible sitting at least 1+ metres apart Ensure the kitchen surfaces have been wiped down with a mild disinfectant before and after preparing snacks and drinks.  When clearing up ensure gloves are worn when picking up / disposing of leftover food.  Wash all utensils in hot soapy water.   |                   |
| Dealing with any suspected and confirmed cases of C19 in the school community?   | Where staff members have symptoms, they should access testing promptly through the government self-referral mechanisms, or by the school/Trust through the employer referral site.  All latest GOV / PHE advice to be followed.   |                   |
| Managing the expectations of Parents   | BOD letter to all -explicit in what parents should expect and accept  No Parents to enter the building at all unless via appointment – where this applies Parents are to wear a mask as soon as they enter school building  Latecomers to come through the hall.  All communication via phone and email.  Parents will be discouraged from congregating around the school site.  School will continue to promote the use of using the enquiry email more  Regular email and text communication  Clear communication of plans  MAC will continue to write to parents on an occasional basis. |                   |



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|   | Newsletters   |  |
|   | All visitors must be signed in and out – for track and trace systems  |  |
| What staff training needs to be delivered BEFORE you return? How do you plan to deliver this? | H&S – Social distancing, PPE use, staff to have a dry run of movement systems on 1st September 2020   |  |
| Provision for staff   | Trained Mental Health First Aiders in schools   |  |
| mental health/ well-being?  | Access to Westfield Health- Counselling and CBT sessions available  |  |
| Awareness of policies / procedures / Guidance   | All staff, returning back to work must continue to follow the current guidelines in regard to safe distancing and washing hands on a regular basis.   |  |
| Infection Control   | All staff are able to access the following information on-line for up to date information on COVID-19  Public Health England, Gov. co. uk, NHS, DfE, Department for Health and Social Care  |  |
|   | The relevant staff receive any necessary training that helps minimise the spread of infection, e.g. infection control training. (washing of hands, cleaning up bodily fluids)   |  |
|   | Staff are made aware of the school's infection control procedures in relation to coronavirus via email or staff meetings and contact the school as soon as possible if they believe they may have been exposed to coronavirus.  Parents are made aware of the school's infection control procedures in relation to coronavirus via letter, posters or social media – they are informed that they must contact the school as soon as possible if they believe their child has been exposed to coronavirus.  Children are made aware of the school's infection control procedures in relation to coronavirus via school staff and are |  |
|   | informed that they must tell a member of staff if they feel unwell.   |  |
| What arrangements do you have in place  | Separate RA for cleaning (Please see)   |  |
| for cleaning and how  | Supply of cleaning materials and PPE for cleaning staff.  |  |
| does this look<br>different from  | TA / teacher / Cleaning staff to clean classroom and equipment every day.   |  |
| normal?   | Children have their own, allocated equipment and not share.   |  |
| Protection for staff<br>falling into the<br>BAME category                                     | In light of 'No clear medical evidence', we recognise that Covid 19 is still affecting those adults from the BAME community.  All staff are to rigidly follow all social distancing measures in place throughout the school.  PPE will be provided for BAME staff to wear. It is their decision as to whether this is worn at all times of the day.  Hand Sanitisers will be available throughout the day.  |  |



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| Managing parents and visitors being on-site?   | Parent wishing to talk to staff Parents will be informed that the majority of conversations with staff will be either over the phone or if this is not possible a meeting will be arranged and social distancing rules observed.  Parents will be discouraged from congregating around the school site.   |             |
|  | 1 parent to drop off/ pick up only. Flow of people in a one way system Parents to phone office, not visit in person. School to promote the use of using the enquiry email more Initially restrict additional visitors to the site who are not on school or MAC business.  |             |
| Do any adjustments<br>need to be made to<br>premises / entry and<br>exit routes to support<br>social distancing? | Start of the day: All parents requested to wear a mask/face covering on site playground split into drop off and collection areas KS2 playground in 4 quadrants per class, KS1 in half- marked out gates open at 8.40-9.00 – teacher leads in majority @8.50 TA waits for the rest until @9.00am hands sanitised on entry to the classroom. End of the day: Gates opened at 3.10pm – classes to already be outside in their quadrant/ half ready for collection. |             |
| Catering provision?  | All children will have a hot meal option provided by the kitchens All tables and seats will be wiped down between year groups by the staff. Any school provided packed lunches will be taken by the school staff to the classroom door before 11.30am prior to hot service.   |             |
| Ill health   | We will follow the system of controls needed in schools in regards to preventing and responding to any infection, taken from the latest Government guidance as follows:   |             |
|  | Prevention:  1) Minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school   |             |
|  | Ensuring that pupils, staff and other adults do not come into the school if they have <u>coronavirus (COVID-19)</u> <u>symptoms</u> or have tested positive in at least the last 10 days and ensuring anyone developing those symptoms during the school day is sent home, are essential actions to reduce the risk in schools and further drive down transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19).   |             |
|  | All schools must follow this process and ensure all staff are aware of it.  |             |





If anyone in the school becomes unwell with a new and persistent cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they must be sent home and advised to follow <u>guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection</u>, which sets out that they should self-isolate for at least 10 days and should <u>arrange to have a test</u> to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19).

Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 10 days from the day after the individual tested positive.

If a child is awaiting collection, they should be moved, if possible, to a room where they can be isolated behind a closed door (library), depending on the age and needs of the child, with appropriate adult supervision if required. Ideally, a window should be opened for ventilation. If it is not possible to isolate them, move them to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people.

If they need to go to the bathroom while waiting to be collected, they should use a separate bathroom if possible. The bathroom must be cleaned and disinfected using standard cleaning products before being used by anyone else.

PPE must be worn by staff caring for the child while they await collection if a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained (such as for a very young child or a child with complex needs). More information on PPE use can be found in the <u>safe working in education</u>, <u>childcare and children's social care settings</u>, <u>including the use of personal protective equipment (PPE)</u> guidance.

As is usual practice, in an emergency, call 999 if someone is seriously ill or injured or their life is at risk. Anyone with coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms should not otherwise visit the GP, pharmacy, urgent care centre or a hospital.

Any member of staff who has provided close contact care to someone with symptoms, even while wearing PPE, and all other members of staff or pupils who have been in close contact with that person with symptoms, even if wearing a face covering, do not need to go home to self-isolate unless:

- the symptomatic person subsequently tests positive
- they develop symptoms themselves (in which case, they should arrange to have a test)
- the symptomatic person subsequently tests positive
- they are requested to do so by NHS Test and Trace or the PHE advice service (or PHE local health protection team if escalated)



Everyone must wash their hands thoroughly for 20 seconds with soap and running water or use hand sanitiser after any contact with someone who is unwell. The area around the person with symptoms must be cleaned after they have left to reduce the risk of passing the infection on to other people. See the <a href="COVID-19">COVID-19</a>: cleaning of non-healthcare settings guidance.

Public Health England has good evidence that routinely taking the temperature of pupils is not recommended as this is an unreliable method for identifying coronavirus (COVID-19).

2) Adults to wear face coverings before entering the building and in all communal areas, e.g. corridors, staff room, etc. Staff can also choose to wear PPE when teaching.

### 3. Clean hands thoroughly more often than usual

Coronavirus (COVID-19) is an easy virus to kill when it is on skin. This can be done with soap and running water or hand sanitiser. Pupils will be sent to clean their hands regularly, including when they arrive at school, when they return from breaks, when they change rooms and before and after eating. Regular and thorough hand cleaning is going to be needed for the foreseeable future.

#### 4. Ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach

The 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach continues to be very important, so school must ensure that we have enough tissues and bins available in the school to support pupils and staff to follow this routine. As with hand cleaning, schools must ensure younger children and those with complex needs are helped to get this right and all pupils understand that this is now part of how the school operates. The <u>e-Bug coronavirus (COVID-19) website</u> contains free resources for schools, including materials to encourage good hand and respiratory hygiene.

- 5. Introduce enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often using standard products, such as detergents cleaning at break times (surfaces, desks, door handles, etc.) and after school
- 6) **Minimise contact between individuals** and maintain social distancing between bubbles so that there are no whole school gatherings. Pupils continue to sit side by side and facing forwards.
- 7) Where necessary, staff will wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) if staff need to administer first aid, intimate care or treat someone with symptoms of COVID-19. The Government guidance states that the majority of staff in education settings will not require PPE beyond what they would normally need for work.
- 8) Keeping occupied spaces well ventilated





It is important to ensure it is well ventilated and a comfortable teaching environment is maintained.

This can be achieved by a variety of measures including:

- natural ventilation opening windows (in cooler weather windows should be opened just enough to provide constant background ventilation, and opened more fully during breaks to purge the air in the space). Opening internal doors can also assist with creating a throughput of air
- natural ventilation if necessary external opening doors may also be used (as long as they are not fire doors and where safe to do so)

Further advice on this can be found in Health and Safety Executive guidance on <u>air conditioning and ventilation during</u> the coronavirus outbreak and CIBSE coronavirus (COVID-19) advice.

To balance the need for increased ventilation while maintaining a comfortable temperature, the following measures should also be used as appropriate:

- opening high level windows in preference to low level to reduce draughts
- increasing the ventilation while spaces are unoccupied (for examples, between classes, during break and lunch, when a room is unused)
- providing flexibility to allow additional, suitable indoor clothing. For more information see School uniform
- rearranging furniture where possible to avoid direct drafts

Heating should be used as necessary to ensure comfort levels are maintained particularly in occupied spaces.

### **Response to any infection:**

## 9. Engage with the NHS Test and Trace process

Schools must ensure they understand the NHS Test and Trace process. Schools must remind staff members and parents/carers understand that they will need to be ready and willing to:

book a test if they or their child are displaying symptoms. The main symptoms are a high temperature, a new continuous cough and/or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste. Staff and pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms and must be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school. All children can





be tested if they have symptoms, including children under 5, but children aged 11 and under will need to be helped by their parents or carers if using a home testing kit

- provide details of anyone they or their child have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace
- <u>self-isolate</u> if they have been in close contact with someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), or if anyone in their household develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)

Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) can and should get a test. Tests can be booked online through the NHS <u>testing and tracing for coronavirus</u> website, or ordered by telephone via NHS 119 for those without access to the internet. Essential workers, which includes anyone involved in education or childcare, have priority access to testing.

The government will ensure that it is as easy as possible to get a test through a wide range of routes that are locally accessible, fast and convenient. We will release more details on new testing avenues as and when they become available and will work with schools so they understand the quickest and easiest way to get a test.

Having a test at a testing site will deliver the fastest results. The test kits sent to schools are provided to be used in the exceptional circumstance that an individual becomes symptomatic and schools believe they may have barriers to accessing testing elsewhere. It is for schools to determine how to prioritise the distribution of their test kits in order to minimise the impact of the virus on the education of their pupils.

These kits can be given directly to staff or parents and carers collecting a child who has developed symptoms at school. In particular, these tests kits will also help ensure that symptomatic staff can also get a test and if they test negative, can return to work as soon as they no longer have symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19). Further information is provided in our guidance Coronavirus (COVID-19): test kits for schools and FE providers.

Schools should ask parents and staff to inform them immediately of the results of a test and follow this guidance.

If someone with symptoms tests negative for coronavirus (COVID-19), then they should stay at home until they are recovered as usual from their illness but can safely return thereafter. The only exception to return following a negative test result is where an individual is separately identified as a close contact of a confirmed case, when they will need to self-isolate for 10 days from the date of that contact.

If someone with symptoms tests positive, they should follow the <u>guidance for households with possible or confirmed</u> coronavirus (COVID-19) infection and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their





symptoms and then return to school only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste. This is because a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone. The 10-day period starts from the day when they first became ill. If they still have a high temperature, they should continue to self-isolate until their temperature returns to normal. Other members of their household should all self-isolate for the full 10 days from the day after the individual tested positive.

## 10. Manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) amongst the school community

(A member of SLT will contact them if someone from Sacred Heart tests positive for Coronavirus).

Any child or member of staff who displays signs of being unwell, and believes they have been exposed to coronavirus, will be sensitively taken out of the class and placed in an area where they will not come into contact with others, but will be supervised at all times by a staff member wearing appropriate PPE..

The relevant member of staff calls for emergency assistance immediately if children' symptoms worsen.

The parents of unwell children are informed as soon as possible of the situation by a relevant member of staff.

Where contact with a child's parents cannot be made, appropriate procedures are followed in accordance with those outlined in governmental guidance.

Unwell children who are waiting to go home are kept in an area where they can be at least 1+ metres away from others.

Areas used by unwell staff and children who need to go home are appropriately cleaned once vacated, using a disinfectant and care to be taken when cleaning all hard surfaces.

If unwell children and staff are waiting to go home, they are instructed to use different toilets to the rest of the school to minimise the spread of infection.

Any children who display signs of infection are taken home immediately, or as soon as practicable, by their parents – the parents are advised to contact NHS 111 immediately or call 999 if the child becomes seriously ill or their life is at risk.

Any members of staff who display signs of infection are sent home immediately and are advised to contact NHS 111 immediately or call 999 if they become seriously ill or their life is at risk. Any medication given to ease the unwell individual's symptoms, e.g. Paracetamol, is administered in accordance with the Administering Medications Policy.





Schools must take swift action when they become aware that someone who has attended has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19). Schools can contact the dedicated advice service introduced by Public Health England (PHE) and delivered by the NHS Business Services Authority. This can be reached by calling the DfE Helpline on 0800 046 8687 and selecting option 1 for advice on the action to take in response to a positive case. Schools will be put through to a team of advisers who will inform them of what action is needed based on the latest public health advice

The advice service will carry out a rapid risk assessment to confirm who has been in close contact with the person during the period that they were infectious, and ensure they are asked to self-isolate. If, following triage, further expert advice is required the adviser will escalate the school's call to the PHE local health protection team.

The advice service (or PHE local health protection team if escalated) will work with schools to guide them through the actions they need to take. Based on their advice, schools must send home those people who have been in close contact with the person who has tested positive, advising them to self-isolate for 10 days from the day after contact with the individual tested positive. Close contact means:

- direct close contacts face to face contact with an infected individual for any length of time, within 1 metre, including being coughed on, a face to face conversation, or unprotected physical contact (skin-to-skin)
- proximity contacts extended close contact (within 1 to 2 metres for more than 15 minutes) with an infected individual
- travelling in a small vehicle, like a car, with an infected person

The advice service (or PHE local health protection team if escalated) will provide definitive advice on who must be sent home. To support them in doing so, we recommend schools keep a record of pupils and staff in each group, and any close contact that takes places between children and staff in different groups. This should be a proportionate recording process. Schools do not need to ask pupils to record everyone they have spent time with each day or ask staff to keep definitive records in a way that is overly burdensome.

Where individuals who are self-isolating and are within our definition of vulnerable, it is important that schools put systems in place to keep in contact with them, offer pastoral support, and check they are able to access education support.

A template letter will be provided to schools, on the advice of the health protection team, to send to parents and staff if needed. Schools must not share the names or details of people with coronavirus (COVID-19) unless essential to protect others.





Household members of those contacts who are sent home do not need to self-isolate themselves unless the child, young person or staff member who is self-isolating subsequently develops symptoms. If someone in a class or group that has been asked to self-isolate develops symptoms themselves within the 10-days from the day after contact with the individual tested positive should follow <u>guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection</u>. They should get a test, and:

- if someone who is self-isolating because they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) starts to feel unwell and gets a test for coronavirus themselves, and the test delivers a negative result, they must remain in isolation for the remainder of the 10-day isolation period. This is because they could still develop coronavirus (COVID-19) within the remaining days.
- if the test result is positive, they should inform their setting immediately, and should isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms (which could mean the self-isolation ends before or after the original 10-day isolation period). Their household should self-isolate for at least 10 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms, following guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection

Schools should not request evidence of negative test results or other medical evidence before admitting children or welcoming them back after a period of self-isolation.

In the majority of cases, schools and parents will be in agreement that a child with symptoms should not attend school, given the potential risk to others. In the event that a parent or guardian insists on a child attending school, schools can take the decision to refuse the child if in their reasonable judgement it is necessary to protect their pupils and staff from possible infection with coronavirus (COVID-19). Any such decision would need to be carefully considered in light of all the circumstances and the current public health advice.

The PHE local health protection team will also contact schools directly if they become aware that someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) attended the school - as identified by NHS Test and Trace.

Further guidance is available on testing and tracing for coronavirus (COVID-19).

### 11. Contain any outbreak by following local health protection team advice

If schools have two or more confirmed cases within 10 days, or an overall rise in sickness absence where coronavirus (COVID-19) is suspected, they may have an outbreak and must continue to work with their local health protection team who will be able to advise if additional action is required.



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|  | In some cases, health protection teams may recommend that a larger number of other pupils self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure – perhaps the whole site or year group. If schools are implementing controls from this list, addressing the risks they have identified and therefore reducing transmission risks, whole school closure based on cases within the school will not generally be necessary, and should not be considered except on the advice of health protection teams. |  |
|  | In consultation with the local Director of Public Health, where an outbreak in a school is confirmed, a mobile testing unit may be dispatched to test others who may have been in contact with the person who has tested positive. Testing will first focus on the person's class, followed by their year group, then the whole school if necessary, in line with routine public health outbreak control practice.   |  |
| Spread of infection                    | Spillages of bodily fluids, e.g. respiratory and nasal discharges, are cleaned up immediately in line with guidance, using PPE at all times.  Parents are informed not to bring their children to school or on the school premises if they show signs of being unwell and believe they have been exposed to coronavirus.   |  |
|  | Staff and children do not return to school before the minimum recommended exclusion period (or the 'self-isolation' period) has passed, in line with national guidance.  Children who are unwell are not taken on school trips or permitted to enter public areas used for teaching,  Parents notify the school if their child has an impaired immune system or a medical condition that means they are vulnerable to infections.  |  |
|  | The school in liaison with individuals' medical professionals where necessary, reviews the needs of children who are vulnerable to infections.  Any additional provisions for children who are vulnerable to infections are put in place by the Principal/HOS, in liaison with the child's parents where necessary.  |  |
| Poor management of infectious diseases | Self-isolating log kept and updated daily by the office.  Everyone is instructed to monitor themselves and others and look out for similar symptoms if a child or staff member has been sent home with suspected coronavirus.  Staff are vigilant and report concerns about their own, a colleague's or a child's symptoms to the Principal or SLT as soon as possible.  |  |
|  | The school is consistent in its approach to the management of suspected and confirmed cases of coronavirus.  The school is informed by children' parents when children return to school after having coronavirus – the school informs the relevant staff.  Staff inform the Principal when they plan to return to work after having coronavirus.   |  |
| Contractors in                         | A nominated person monitors the cleaning standards of school cleaning contractors and discusses any additional measures required with regards to managing the spread of coronavirus.  Where contractors are coming into school they must have up to date Risk Assessments and Method Statements.   |  |
| school                                 | Control measures regarding the Coronavirus must be included within their RAMs.   |  |



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|           | Infection Control    | School to ensure no children or staff are in the area where contractors are working.                                |                   |  |
|           |                      | Contractors will be designated a toilet they can use whilst on site.  |                   |  |
|           |                      | Contractors will be responsible for removing all rubbish they have created and to clean their area of work prior to |                   |  |
|           |                      | leaving.  |                   |  |
|           |                      | They must ensure no workers are displaying any signs or symptoms of Coronavirus prior to entering the school site.  |                   |  |
|           |                      | If they become aware of a contractor coming down with symptoms within 14 days of being at the school, they must     |                   |  |
|           |                      | inform the school immediately.  |                   |  |