









## Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan September 2021

<p>When should my child self-isolate or miss school?</p> 	 <p><b>NO</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All children <b>MUST</b> attend school unless they are ill.</li> <li>From 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, children under 18 (or double-vaccinated adults) do not need to self-isolate or miss school if a member of their household or a contact, has Covid.</li> <li>Instead, they will need to book a PCR test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.</li> </ul>
	 <p><b>YES</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at home</u> and should book a PCR test), <u>NOT</u> a Lateral Flow test. Please contact school.</li> <li>If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test.</li> <li>If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate for 10 days or until the date advised by Track &amp; Trace. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated – but instead should book a PRC test. Family members/ friends do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for the result of the PCR test unless they have Covid Symptoms.</li> </ul>

Community Covid Risk	Description	Actions
 <p><b>Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school days.</li> <li>Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable.</li> <li>Hospitalisation/ Deaths due to Covid nationally are low.</li> </ul>	<p>No Covid measures are necessary beyond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reminding children of good hand-hygiene-washing hands for 20 seconds). Children may choose to bring their own hand sanitiser into school.</li> <li>Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical.</li> <li>Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test).</li> </ul> <p>Staff will continue to test themselves using Lateral flow tests (government guidance). Staff and parents may continue to wear face coverings.</p> <p>“Bubbles” will not be operating in school. School leaders will continue to be mindful of planned events in school and numbers attending.</p>

 <p><b>Rapidly Rising Community Transmission</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but...</li> <li>• Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.</li> <li>• Local Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ventilation of classrooms increased &amp; hand-washing supervised.</li> <li>• Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced.</li> <li>• Reduce gatherings in school (for example, assemblies)</li> <li>• Parents of clinically vulnerable children to consult health professionals/ practitioners for additional advice.</li> </ul>
Number of Cases:	Description:	Actions:
 <p><b>A single child tests positive</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A single child tests positive for Covid in a class.</li> <li>• There are fewer than 5 cases or 10% in the class/year group (classed as contact group)</li> <li>• No other year groups/classes are affected.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it</li> <li>• The parents of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts.</li> <li>• Likely contacts will be contacted by NHS Track &amp; Trace and advised to book at PCR Test.</li> <li>• <b>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.</b></li> </ul>
 <p><b>5 children or staff / 10% of children in a bubble test positive within 10 days of each other</b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>3 children or staff / 10% of children in a single Class / Club</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There have been 5 cases or 10% of bubble of Covid cases across a class/year group (contact group) within 10 days which could mean that Covid is spreading within that group of children.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>As above for each positive case.</b></li> <li>• The school will discuss the outbreak with Local Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures for <u>10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-introducing staff face coverings for corridors &amp; communal areas. Parents will be asked to wear face coverings when on the school site.</li> <li>• Adapting, Limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.</li> <li>• Reverting to video-link Assemblies in classrooms.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p><b>(or Resource Base) within 10 days.</b></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reducing the number of classes staff work across.</li> <li>• Consider bringing back bubbles to reduce contacts</li> <li>• Resuming twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing (government guidance).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and Local Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-introduce class bubbles.</li> <li>• Reverting to class-based school lunches.</li> <li>• Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.</li> <li>• Postponing all non-essential events.</li> <li>• Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered, as outlined in school's remote learning plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

The school will inform parents of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed via normal written/electronic communication methods.