

Highfield Community Primary School

COVID-19 Outbreak Contingency Plan








Academic Year
2021 – 2022


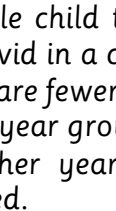
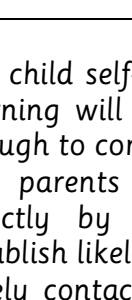
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| <p>Should my child self-isolate or miss school?</p>  |  <p>NO</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All children MUST attend school unless they are ill. • Children aged 5 and 18 days and 6 months (or double-vaccinated adults) do not need to self-isolate or miss school if a member of their household or a contact, has Covid. • Instead, they are strongly advised to take a lateral flow test every day for 7 days and continue to attend their setting as normal. |
| |  <p>YES</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test (or take a LFD from 11.01.22). • If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should test them for Covid 19. • If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated. |

| Community Covid Risk | Description | Actions |
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|  <p>Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school days. • Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable. • Hospitalisation/ Deaths due to Covid nationally are low. | <p>No Covid measures are necessary beyond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminding children of good hand-hygiene. • Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical. • Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test or take a LFD test from 11.02.22). <p>Staff will continue to test themselves using Lateral flow device tests.</p> |
|  <p>Rapidly Rising Community Transmission</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If 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. • CWaC Public Health/ Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 class assemblies. • Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Headteacher to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/ groups). |

| Number of Cases: | Description: | Actions: |
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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A single child tests positive for Covid in a class. • There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group. • No other year groups are affected. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it. • 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 with the latest guidance. • Children do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for any results unless they have symptoms. |
| <p>A single child tests Positive</p> |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 CWaC Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures <u>for 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances. ○ Reducing the amount of classes staff work across. |
| <p>5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.</p> |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 meeting held between the school and Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Re-introducing class bubbles. ○ Reverting to class-based school lunches. ○ Limiting all non-essential visitors to school. ○ Postponing all non-essential events. ○ Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered. |
| <p>Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.</p> | | |

The school will inform parents of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed. Please contact the school office if you are unsure of which measures to take or need further guidance.