

This document is to remain under constant review due to the fast-changing nature of DfE / Government guidance in response to the challenges posed by Covid-19



Risk Assessment for:	<b>Whole School - Covid 19 (September 2021 Onwards)</b>			Version	4.0 Step 4	Insert school logo here	
School:	Exwick Heights Primary	Address:	Exwick Lane, Exwick, Exeter EX4 2FB				
Person(s) / Group at risk:	Staff, pupils, visitors and contractors						
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This risk assessment refers to documents contained within the following guidance: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/guidance-for-schools-coronavirus-covid-19">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/guidance-for-schools-coronavirus-covid-19</a>	Current Tier: <b>Step 4</b>
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This is a model risk assessment and **MUST be adapted to reflect the significant hazards and control measures present in your site**. This is a live document and it must be continuously reviewed alongside the latest Covid-19 government guidance and hierarchy of controls: [Annex A: health and safety risk assessment](#). It must also be read alongside existing risk assessments and health and safety arrangements for your school.

The following guidance must be followed: [Covid Guidance for Education and Childcare](#) Particularly sections covering Managing a school or early years setting.

When conducting the risk assessment, it is important that the school adopts a considered collaborative approach in line with DfE Guidance. It is a legal requirement that schools should revisit and update their risk assessments (building on the learning to date and the practices they have already developed), to consider the additional risks and control measures. This risk assessment is generic, and each school is responsible for reviewing and amending to ensure it is applicable to their setting and the latest government guidance **and must consult with their staff regarding the risks and control measures being implemented**.

The control measures listed **are prompts** and will not necessarily reflect those in all establishments and you **MUST** adapt it by adding or removing and outlining in detail the control measures as appropriate to your establishment.

**\*\*\*\*\* EXETER SCHOOLS**

If you need help to complete this risk assessment, please refer to HS47 (Risk Assessment Arrangements) or telephone the Devon Health & Safety Service on 01392 382027.

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- Inform Plymouth City Council if you are required to using this email address: [covid19@plymouth.gov.uk](mailto:covid19@plymouth.gov.uk)

**Definition of a close contact**

When completing your risk assessment, it is important that your mitigations control measures in all aspects of the school day, considers PHE definition of 'close contact' as:

- direct close contacts - face to face contact with an infected individual for any length of time, within 1 meter, 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 meters for more than 15 minutes) with an infected individual
- travelling in a small vehicle, like a car, with an infected person

Focusing on obtaining mitigations they reduce close contact, will reduce staff and pupil absences when there are cases within the school.

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<b>1</b>	<b>Distancing and reducing risk of transmission</b>			
1.1	Entrance and egress to school site causing large groups of people inside school grounds compromising social distancing	<p>Communicate school access processes clearly to staff and parents. Pupils and staff are asked to wash their hands, on arrival. Pupils, staff and others are not permitted entry to the school building and should not come to the school grounds if they have <a href="#">coronavirus (Covid 19) symptoms</a>, or have tested positive in the last 10 days. Anyone who becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in. their normal sense of taste or smell, is sent home and advised to follow: <a href="#">Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection</a></p> <p>All visitors to the premises sign in, supporting track and trace as well as school safeguarding procedures.</p> <p>Use alternative drop off locations, utilise all entrance routes and encourage only one parent to attend where possible.</p> <p>One way system to be put in place where possible and remind all to keep to the left when moving around the school.</p>	School community informed about arrangements for access and egress July 2021 and reminded again 07/09/21	
1.2	Parents gathering at school gate not social distancing	Make clear to parents that they cannot gather at entrance gates or doors or enter the site (unless they have a pre-arranged appointment, which should be conducted safely).	School community informed about arrangements July 2021 and reminded again 07/09/21	
1.3	Overcrowding in classrooms and corridors.	School contingency planning will ensure it is possible to reintroduce 'bubbles' for a temporary period should they be instructed to do so.	Exeter and Plymouth are currently in an Enhanced Response Area (ERA). Face coverings to be worn in communal areas by anyone over the age of 11 years.	
1.4	Risk of transmission	The EYFS setting within the school site will follow the relevant system of controls and follow the latest guidance. The setting will carry out separate risk assessments for specific areas where necessary (i.e. malleable		

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	within EYFS settings	materials / messy play / tooth brushing / singing) and will communicate these fully to the relevant parties.		
1.5	Groups mixing during breaks and lunchtime compromising social distancing.	School contingency planning will ensure it is possible to reintroduce measures for a temporary period should they be instructed to do so.	School playtimes are with year group cohorts and staff only, in dedicated areas.	
1.6	Groups mixing during extra-curricular provision	Extra-curricular activities to take place in accordance with <a href="#">Protective Measures for Out of School and Holiday clubs</a> .		
1.7	Wraparound provision: Groups mixing during extra-curricular provision	Breakfast and after-school provision to take place in accordance with <a href="#">Protective Measures for Out of School and Holiday clubs</a> .	Breakfast and after-school provision provided by Foxhayes Playclub who follow the guidance fully.	
1.8	Spread of virus due to increased numbers of people within the building.	Inform staff, parents, carers and other adults that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pupils, staff and other adults must not to come into the school if they have one or more symptoms, or if they have had a positive test.</li> <li>• Pupils / staff travelling to the UK from abroad must adhere to government travel advice and staff / parents should bear in mind the impact on their child's education which may result from any requirement to quarantine or isolate upon return.</li> <li>• They must immediately cease to attend and not attend for at least 10 days from the day after:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the start of their symptoms</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Community Room should be accessed (externally) by any member of the school community presenting with any of the key covid symptoms whilst awaiting collection.	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the test date if they did not have any symptoms but have had a positive test (whether this was a Lateral Flow Device (LFD) or Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test)</li> </ul> <p>They must actively engage with NHS Test and Trace</p> <p>Posters and briefings to those who have access to the school to remind them to focus on the key points of infection control:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Do not attend if symptomatic. If symptoms commence on site, isolate, inform leadership and leave. Unless caring for a student in which case PPE required, avoid contact with anyone with symptoms</li> <li>2. Frequent hand cleaning and good respiratory hygiene practices for all staff, visitors and students. Promote the 'catch it, bin it. Kill it' approach.</li> <li>3. Regular cleaning of settings from (Devon Norse / the in-house team). In addition, antibacterial spray, gloves, aprons and goggles / visors are provided where required.</li> </ol>		
<b>2</b>	<b>Premises related matters</b>			
2.1	Visitors and deliveries	Visits and deliveries to be arranged for quiet times or outside school hours wherever possible. Signing in system and lanyard use to be reviewed regularly. Signing in book/pen to be cleaned regularly and hand sanitiser provided. Visitors to be made aware of any relevant control measures.	Posters displayed in all entrances – see App 1. Checked by office staff – script provided, please see App 2.	
2.2	Changes to building use being safe for pupils & staff – e.g. storage, one-way	Review whole school risk assessment (RA22 or equivalent), to ensure control measures remain suitable and in place. Update risk assessments to include any necessary changes (e.g. handwashing), including curriculum risk assessments where necessary. Consider how the rooms will be adequately ventilated. Carry out a premises safety check, including any impact to evacuation routes. Follow	Ventilation - Open windows and prop doors open, where safe to do so (bearing in mind fire safety, security and safeguarding). In the event of cold weather, rooms will be ventilated when room is vacated (break/lunch/PE lessons	

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	systems, floor tape.	up work to be reported to the Premises / Site Manager and action taken to resolve.	etc). Internal doors should remain open if external doors are closed.	
2.3	First Aid procedures, Reduced numbers of first aiders and Paediatric first aider.	<p>Review First Aid risk assessment (RA22 or equivalent).</p> <p>Rota systems in place to ensure adequate numbers of first aid and PFA trained staff.</p> <p>Communication of first aid arrangements to be undertaken.</p> <p>PPE available within first aid supplies</p> <p><a href="#">First aid during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic</a> guidance to be followed.</p>		
2.4	Fire Procedures	<p>Review the fire risk assessment taking into consideration any changes made to the layout, and the impact this may have on fire evacuation and escape routes, and any increased risks of having significant amounts of high-alcohol-content hand sanitiser on the premises and compliance with its safe storage requirements.</p> <p>Ensure that testing and monitoring regimes are in place for fire detection and alarm systems, fire extinguishers and that any interim arrangements (such as doors propped open where necessary to reduce hand contact), are managed so that they do not compromise fire protection (and security) measures.</p> <p>Review where required fire evacuation routes and assembly points to ensure that social distancing guidelines are being met.</p> <p>Ensure any PEEPs are still suitable and staff are aware of contents</p> <p>Fire drills to continue as normal</p>	Fire monitors tasked with closing all doors windows in the event of the fire alarm sounding/fire identified.	
2.5	Water hygiene – management of legionella	<p>Review the water hygiene management plan. Ensure that agreed regimes for flushing and monitoring of temperatures have been maintained throughout any period of closure / partial opening.</p> <p>Where regimes have not been maintained ensure that cleaning and disinfection has taken place prior to reoccupation as per government guidance.</p>		

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		Hot water system heated to full temperature, and hot and cold systems flushed through, and temperatures monitored and recorded as standard.		
2.6	Using and monitoring new practices to reduce risk of Covid-19 transmission	Training of all staff on return and new employees – to include contents of this RA, alternative layouts and any changes to fire evacuation routes, use of PPE, and location of designated room for suspected cases. Reiterating hygiene measures and the importance of them. Headteachers and school leaders must monitor arrangements and make remedial actions where needed. Ensure there are opportunities for all employees to raise concerns / make suggestions.	Covid 19 risk assessment to be an agenda item for all staff briefings at start of term and opportunities to discuss and review will be included in all meetings through the term. All staff are asked to speak to Head or core SLT if any questions or concerns regarding Covid 19 or procedures.	
2.7	Management of premises related risks e.g. asbestos, delayed statutory testing (LOLER)	Communication arrangements to ensure that requirements and controls are understood by responsible persons (e.g. signing in processes for contractors). If equipment is not within statutory test periods (e.g. lifts and hoists) then it should be taken out of use until the inspection and test can be completed.		
2.8	Staff rooms and offices to comply with social distancing and safe working practice	Where possible reduce the use of communal / shared facilities such as tea and coffee facilities and encourage staff to bring their own food and utensils. Enhanced cleaning regimes where possible. Face coverings may be worn.	Staff should utilise additional spaces around the school (the library in the main building, the central area in the EY building and seating areas indoor and out at lunch and break times to minimise risk of cross contamination.	
2.9	Ventilation to reduce spread	Open windows and prop doors open, where safe to do so (bearing in mind fire safety, security and safeguarding). Air conditioning will only be used when it is deemed safe to do so.		

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		<p>Where mechanical ventilation is present, recirculatory systems should be adjusted to full fresh air. If mechanical ventilation systems cannot be adjusted to full fresh air systems should be operated as normal – where possible to be run continuously, with any air recirculation switched off or set to as low a level as possible, following REHVA guidance.</p> <p>Ventilation to chemical stores should remain operational. LEV systems in secondary school workshops and specialist rooms, which are used to remove dust and other particles from the air as part of practical making and finishing processes will remain in use when required.</p> <p>Further information can be found here:  <a href="#">Ventilation and air conditioning during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic</a>            Schools will utilise government provided equipment (i.e. Co2 monitors) to monitor ventilation.</p>		
2.10	Management of waste	<p>Ensure bins for tissues are regularly emptied.</p> <p>Follow the guidance and <a href="#">Government guidance on disposal of waste</a>. Where it is necessary to wear PPE, this must be disposed of properly rather than going into recycling bins.</p>		
2.11	Management of incoming goods	<p>Follow measures in place at the school regarding supplies coming into and out of the school, which takes into consideration hygiene measures. Encourage regular hand washing and encourage messages to be passed electronically or by telephone.</p>		
2.12	School owned outdoor play equipment	<p>Promote good hygiene and sanitisation, encourage users to clean their hands before and after play, ensure rubbish is disposed of regularly.</p> <p>Consult guidance on <a href="#">Managing Outdoor Playgrounds</a></p>	<p>Dedicated playtimes (on a rota)            Only Year group scheduled to use the playground can use the play equipment.</p>	
2.13	Contractors on-site whilst	<p>Ongoing works and scheduled inspections for schools (e.g. estates related) to continue.</p> <p>Before contractors come onto site the following should be in place:</p>		



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	school is in operation	<p>An assessment has been carried out to see if any additional control measures are required to keep staff, pupils and contractors safe. Assurances have been sought from the contractors that all staff attending the setting will be in good health (symptom-free) and that contractors have procedures in place to ensure effective social distancing is maintained at all times.</p> <p>In addition to arrangements for COVID-19, normal contractor procedures are being applied and have been updated in light of COVID-19 (including contractor risk assessments and method statements, and contractor induction).</p>		
2.14	Hiring out premises	<p>Lettings to take place in accordance with the current regulations. If you hire out your premises for use by external wraparound childcare providers, such as after-school or holiday clubs, make sure these organisations have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• considered the relevant government guidance for their sector</li> <li>• put in place protective measures</li> <li>• are aware that changes may be required at short notice</li> </ul>		
2.15	Transitional, taster and open days	A risk assessment must be carried out before running transitional, taster and open days to ensure that they run within the school system of controls and align with the latest guidance		
2.16	Outbreak Management Plans not being in place	<p>Maintain an outbreak management plan as per <a href="#">Step 4 Contingency Framework in Education</a> outlining how to operate if any measures described within the contingency framework are recommended in this area for any reason.</p> <p>A copy of the Outbreak Management Plan will be saved centrally</p> <p>Where asymptomatic testing sites are required, follow the latest <a href="#">guidance</a> and testing risk assessment.</p>		
<b>3</b>	<b>Cleaning and reducing contamination</b>			

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3.1	Contaminated surfaces spreading virus.	Maintain an effective cleaning schedule. Follow the guidance in the attached link: <a href="#">Cleaning in Non-healthcare Settings</a> Follow government guidance if someone becomes ill with suspected COVID-19 at the setting.		
3.2	Shared resources and equipment increasing spread	Pupils and teachers can take books and other shared resources home. Resources, equipment and specialist equipment (i.e. Therapy) should be cleaned.		
3.3	Cleaning staff and hygiene contractor's capacity - providing additional requirements	Discuss with cleaning contractors or staff any additional cleaning requirements and agree additional hours to allow for this. Ensure cleaning products being used are suitable and that adequate supplies of cleaning materials are available. Maintain the cleaning schedule and establish regular cleaning of shared areas. Review COSHH risk assessments where there is any change in products		
3.4	Sufficient handwashing facilities for staff and pupils	Where a sink is not nearby, provide supervised access to hand sanitiser in classrooms and other learning environments. Ensure enough hand wash and sanitiser stations are available based on what you have learned from usage to date.		
3.5	Additional time for all to carry out handwashing	Frequent hand cleaning as part of normal routine. Regular access to handwashing facilities through the day. Build routines into behaviour expectations and school culture.		
3.6	Handwashing practice with children	Review the guidance on hand cleaning and introduce handwashing songs for younger children. Ensure that help is available for children and young people who have trouble cleaning their hands independently. See guidance and resources available at <a href="#">e Bug</a> .		

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		Consider risks around ingestion of sanitiser and where this is a risk substitute for skin friendly sanitiser wipes for young children / those with complex needs.		
3.7	Good respiratory hygiene	Promote 'catch it, bin it, kill it' ensuring that enough tissues and bins are available. Support should be provided for young children and those with complex needs, particularly where children spit / use saliva. In such cases this should be considered within the pupil's individual risk assessment.		
3.8	Sufficient supplies of soap and cleaning products	Discuss with suppliers and contractors to ensure sufficient supplies and deliveries. Use regular detergents and bleach. Review COSHH assessments (RA05) and implement additional controls required where there has been any change in products.		
3.9	Toilets being overcrowded	Measures to reintroduce allocation of toilet facilities to be noted in outbreak management planning in case they are required for a temporary period. Toilets to be cleaned regularly and pupils must be encouraged to clean their hands thoroughly after using the toilet.		
3.10	Dedicated spaces	Dedicated space to be arranged should anyone require a space for i.e. worship, breast feeding or expressing. Area to be cleaned thoroughly between uses.		
<b>4</b>	<b>Staff related issues</b>			
4.1	Staff access and egress to site and buildings	Staff will arrive and leave the building in their normal way. It is all staff responsibility to adhere to government guidance. Staff must wash their hands when they arrive and encouraged to maintain hygiene standards.	All staff should measure temperature and sanitise hands immediately upon arrival.	
4.2	Staff measures to reduce contact and transmission Covid-19.	The latest DfE guidance must be followed. All teachers and other staff can operate across different classes and year groups in order to facilitate the delivery of the school timetable. IT Technicians provide IT support remotely and within teaching and office spaces. The ticketing service desk is in use.		

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4.3	Managing supply teachers, visitors, contractors and other temporary visiting staff.	<p>Supply teachers, peripatetic teachers and/or other temporary staff can move between schools.</p> <p>Specialists, therapists, clinicians and other support staff for pupils with SEND should provide interventions as usual.</p> <p>Schools should have discussions with key contractors about the school's control measures and ways of working. Where visits can happen outside of school hours, they should.</p> <p>It is important that staff who are managing supply teachers, visitors, contractors and other temporary visiting staff are conversant with protocols within the school.</p>	Risk Assessment shared with main Supply agency, ESP, to be shared with any supply teacher appointed to work at EHPS.	
4.4	Insufficient staff capacity to deal with increased numbers of pupils - Shortage of teachers to maintain staff to pupil ratios	<p>If there are any shortages of teachers to teach the number of classes, appropriately trained teaching assistants can be allocated to lead a group, working under the direction of a teacher.</p> <p>Careful planning of the year groups/classes should be undertaken based on staff availability.</p> <p>Supply teachers and other peripatetic staff can be engaged where necessary.</p> <p>Where there are not sufficient staff to cover staff absences, the school emergency plans will be followed to condense the school or curriculum, or, enact partial or full school closure.</p>		
4.5	Anxiety levels of staff and community causing breakdown in staffing ratios, compromising group sizes.	<p>Staff should refer to the Staff Hub for guidance and support.</p> <p>Schools advisory service is available to provide free, remote and confidential counselling for any employee.</p> <p>Managers to hold discussions with individuals to alleviate concerns and to establish whether additional training or support would be helpful.</p> <p>HR have provided managers with guidance on Absence Management and supporting employees.</p> <p>If appropriate, seek GP or occupational health advice.</p>	<p>Covid 19 risk assessment to be an agenda item for all staff briefings at start of term.</p> <p>All staff are asked to immediately speak to Head or core SLT if any concerns.</p>	

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		<p>Where the member of staff has anxieties about returning, this conversation can be held and recorded using the '<a href="#">Risk assessment for all staff including vulnerable groups</a>'</p> <p>Further advice is available from HR if required.</p>		
4.6	<p>Staff understanding of new changes – safe practice at work &amp; in classroom.</p> <p>Teaching in a safe environment</p>	<p>Talk to staff about the plans (for example, safety measures, timetable changes), including discussing whether training would be helpful.</p> <p>Ensure staff are aware of who to contact and how to raise suggestions or concerns.</p>	<p>Covid 19 risk assessment to be an agenda item for all staff briefings at start of term.</p> <p>All staff are asked to speak to Head or core SLT if any questions or concerns regarding Covid 19 or procedures.</p> <p>School will continue to encourage staff to wear facial coverings (unless exempt) in communal areas</p>	
4.7	<p>Accessing testing arrangements are clear for all staff</p>	<p>Guidance about testing, including the NHS 'Test and Trace' service, is available via this link <a href="https://inside.devon.gov.uk/task/guidance-for-dealing-with-coronavirus-covid-19/essential-worker-testing/">https://inside.devon.gov.uk/task/guidance-for-dealing-with-coronavirus-covid-19/essential-worker-testing/</a></p> <p>Testing Specific risk assessment in school and specific guidance is available to all participants.</p>		
4.8	<p>Conditions for use of fluid resistant face mask and other equipment when dealing with a symptomatic child are clear</p>	<p>If a child, young person or other learner becomes unwell with symptoms of coronavirus while in their setting and needs direct personal care until they can return home appropriate PPE should be worn by the supervising adult if a distance of 2 meters cannot be maintained.</p> <p>If contact with the child or young person is necessary, then gloves, an apron and a face mask should be worn by the supervising adult.</p> <p>If a risk assessment determines that there is a risk of splashing to the eyes, for example from coughing, spitting, or vomiting, then eye protection should also be worn</p>		

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	and understood by staff.	Ensuring that fluid resistant face masks are available for all schools and that a supply is maintained.		
4.9	Assessment of all staff, including high risk staff with vulnerable / shielding family member, underlying health conditions or other risk factors	<p>Headteacher will refer to the HR FAQ document to manage individual working arrangements.</p> <p>CEV individuals are no longer advised to shield but must continue to follow the rules in place for everyone under the current national restrictions.</p> <p>All pregnant employees will have an individual risk assessment which will be reviewed regularly.</p> <p>Individual risk assessment with clinically extremely vulnerable and clinically vulnerable staff should be reviewed regularly.</p> <p>A risk assessment should also be undertaken with staff who may be anxious.</p> <p>The 'Risk assessment for all staff including vulnerable groups' can be used to aid and record this assessment - <a href="https://staffhub.tedwraggtrust.co.uk/managers-area/covid-19/#Risk-Assessment-anchor-link">https://staffhub.tedwraggtrust.co.uk/managers-area/covid-19/#Risk-Assessment-anchor-link</a></p> <p>Managers Guide to Supporting BAME or other vulnerable colleagues: will follow guidance and undertake a risk assessment with staff member: <a href="https://staffhub.tedwraggtrust.co.uk/managers-area/covid-19/#Risk-Assessment-anchor-link">https://staffhub.tedwraggtrust.co.uk/managers-area/covid-19/#Risk-Assessment-anchor-link</a></p> <p>Pregnancy: The Expectant Mother risk assessment has been amended to include Covid 19 and should be completed. <a href="https://staffhub.tedwraggtrust.co.uk/managers-area/covid-19/#Risk-Assessment-anchor-link">https://staffhub.tedwraggtrust.co.uk/managers-area/covid-19/#Risk-Assessment-anchor-link</a></p> <p>Staff with concerns over their availability to work should refer to the Absence Management Toolkit on the website staff area for further details, risk assessments and resources.</p>		
4.10	Staff use of PPE	Pupils whose care routinely already involves the use of PPE due to their intimate care needs will continue to receive their care in the same way.		

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4.11	Use of PPE Lack of understanding	Adequate training / briefing on use and safe disposal to be given to relevant staff. Follow guidance on putting on and taking off standard PPE <a href="#">COVID-19: personal protective equipment use for non-aerosol generating procedures</a> and above guidance on use in education settings. Staff to read and raise any queries to their H&S lead.		
4.12	Staff member becoming unwell with Covid 19	<p>If anyone in your school develops symptoms of Covid 19, follow latest government guidance</p> <p>A staff member should let the leadership team know and go home. Where that person needs to use the bathroom before they go home, they should use a separate bathroom if possible. The bathroom must be cleaned and disinfected before being used by anyone else. Everyone must wash their hands 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.</p> <p>Where the employee is symptomatic but feels well, the employee may work from home whilst isolating in accordance with the Government Guidance. The employee may not return to work unless their test is negative, they are well enough to return and they have completed the appropriate isolation period in accordance with the Government Guidance</p>	Community Room should be accessed (externally) by any member of the school community presenting with any of the key covid symptoms whilst awaiting collection.	
4.13	Dealing with suspected and confirmed case/cases and outbreak.	Follow most up to date government guidance and flow chart from PHE SW : <a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2021/08/schools-flowchart-v15-aug-21.pdf">https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2021/08/schools-flowchart-v15-aug-21.pdf</a> Reporting cases as necessary		
4.14	Lateral Flow testing	See school specific testing risk assessment and School Operational Guidance for further details. All staff are encouraged to partake in twice weekly testing.		

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5	<b>Pupil related issues</b>			
5.1	Vulnerable groups who are clinically, extremely vulnerable	<p>All pupils should attend education settings unless they have been advised by their GP or clinician not to attend an education setting. Where a pupil is unable to attend school because of this, systems to be put in place to keep in contact with them, offer pastoral support, and check they are able to access education support.</p> <p>Any pregnancy in pupils to follow guidance for pregnant employees. <a href="#">Covid 19 - advice for Pregnant Employees</a>. Also see 4.9</p>		
5.2	Pupil wellbeing and support	<p>Measures are in place where children are distressed.</p> <p>Some pupils may be experiencing a variety of emotions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, such as anxiety, stress or low mood. This may particularly be the case for vulnerable children, including those with a social worker and young carers. It is important to contextualise these feelings as normal responses to an abnormal situation.</p> <p>Where there is a concern a pupil is in need or suffering or likely to suffer harm, the child protection policy and part 1 of keeping children safe in education will be followed and where appropriate referrals to statutory services (and the police) as appropriate.</p>	Please refer to school Safe Touch policy.	
5.3	Children with EHCP and pupils who attend dual settings	<p>Appropriate documentation to be completed and maintained, identifying the risks and measures in place to support individual students.</p> <p>For dual settings, work through the system of controls collaboratively, enabling any risks identified to be addressed and allowing the joint delivery of a broad and balanced curriculum for the child</p>		
5.4	Pupils unable to follow guidance	<p>Some pupils will need additional support to follow these measures.</p> <p>Appropriate documentation to be completed and maintained.</p>		
5.5	Pupils equipment	Pupils can now bring their equipment into school each day		
5.6	Member of a class becoming	If anyone in your school develops symptoms of covid 19, follow latest government guidance	Community Room should be accessed (externally) by any	



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	unwell with COVID-19	<p>If a child is awaiting collection, they will be moved to a room where they can be isolated behind a closed door, depending on the age of the child and with appropriate adult supervision if required.</p> <p>Ideally, a window should be opened for ventilation.</p> <p>If it is not possible to isolate them, move them to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people.</p> <p>Allocate a suitable room for this purpose and communicate intentions to staff.</p> <p>Ensure suitable PPE (including fluid resistant face mask) is available at this location.</p> <p>Where that person needs to use the bathroom they should use a separate bathroom if possible. The bathroom must be cleaned and disinfected before being used by anyone else.</p> <p>Everyone must wash their hands 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.</p>	<p>member of the school community presenting with any of the key covid symptoms whilst awaiting collection.</p> <p>Isolation toilet – located beside hall and clearly signed.</p>	
5.7	School Uniform	<p>Uniforms do not need to be cleaned any more often than usual, nor do they need to be cleaned using methods which are different from normal.</p> <p>Uniform policies may be temporarily reviewed in light of seasonal weather where necessary.</p>		
5.8	Behaviour	<p>The behaviour policy will be applied effectively should students not follow health and safety procedures. As they will have been directed any refusal to follow guidelines on things such as distancing will be treated as defiance and sanctioned appropriately.</p>		
5.9	Wrap around care	<p>Wrap around care will be provided in line with the latest guidance.</p>		
<b>6</b>	<b>Transport</b>			

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6.1	Travel to school and provision of safe school transport:	<p>Consider school transport arrangements and where possible encourage parents and pupils to walk or cycle to school where possible.</p> <p>Liaise with School Transport Team where further consideration needs to be given to taxi, escort services.</p> <p>Recommend that staff and pupils wear face coverings during their journey and wash their hands before and after their journey.</p> <p>See guidance: <a href="#">transport-to-school-and-other-places-of-education-guidance</a></p> <p>Where changes are required as a result of a local outbreak, refer to school contingency plans and liaise with school transport team.</p> <p>ALL students will be expected to abide by the DCC / PCC Code of Conduct</p> <p>Students, drivers and escorts should clean their hands before boarding and when arriving at school or home.</p> <p>Parents must be advised that students MUST NOT use school transport if they or a member of their household has symptoms of coronavirus. Any pupil who displays coronavirus symptoms at school should be sent home immediately. They must not travel on home to school transport. Where this is not possible you must contact the Transport Coordination Service at DCC / PCC. Transport Coordination Service will work with Public Health colleagues to manage any virus outbreak.</p>		
<b>7</b>	<b>Curriculum considerations</b>			
7.1	Curriculum provision in all subjects not provided	<p>In accordance with the guidance, this school will ensure that the key principals underpin the curriculum planning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All pupils to receive a high-quality education that promotes their development and equips them with the knowledge and cultural capital they need to succeed in life.</li> <li>• The curriculum remains broad and ambitious.</li> <li>• All pupils continue to be taught a wide range of subjects, maintaining their choices for further study and employment.</li> </ul>		

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		<p>Any risk to this to be brought to the attention of SLT.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Managers should refer to the outbreak / contingency plan to ensure they can respond to the risk.</li> </ul>		
7.2	Suspension of some subjects for some pupils in exceptional circumstances.	Suspension and modification should form part of the Outbreak Management plan in the event that it is necessary and schools should be able to show that this is in the best the interests of these pupils and this should be subject to discussion with parents. A coherent plan for returning to their normal curriculum for all pupils where this is necessary to be in place.		
7.3	Music, dance and drama activities	Music, dance and drama to continue using systems of control. Ensure good hygiene measures relating to people and equipment are followed and rooms are adequately ventilated.	Mitigations recommended by the DFE in relation to singing will to be followed. In relation to singing, classes will adhere to 2 meters social distancing between singers, lessons will be held in larger, well ventilated spaces and singers will stand or sit back to back or side to side (not face to face).	
7.4	Physical activity in schools	<p>PE, sport and physical activity, under the school systems of control can continue. This includes sports clubs or activities before or after school, in addition to their regular PE lessons. Sports equipment should be regularly cleaned.</p> <p>Outdoor sports should be prioritised where possible, and large indoor spaces used where it is not, maximising natural ventilation flows (through opening windows and doors or using air conditioning systems wherever possible).</p> <p>External facilities can also be used in line with government guidance for the use of, and travel to and from, those facilities.</p> <p>Also refer to the following advice:</p>		

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance on the phased return of elite sport</a> and guidance from <a href="#">Sport England</a> for grassroots sport</li> <li>• advice from organisations such as the <a href="#">Association for Physical Education</a> and the <a href="#">Youth Sport Trust</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Using changing rooms safely</a></li> </ul>		
7.5	Practical science, art and D&T lessons	Guidance from CLEAPSS should be followed when planning lessons, using resources from i.e. the following website: <a href="https://www.cleapss.org.uk/">https://www.cleapss.org.uk/</a> <a href="http://science.cleapss.org.uk/Whats-New/Guides/">http://science.cleapss.org.uk/Whats-New/Guides/</a> <a href="http://dt.cleapss.org.uk/Resources/Whats-New/Administration/">http://dt.cleapss.org.uk/Resources/Whats-New/Administration/</a> and for primaries <a href="#">Practical activities in a bubble</a> . Schools must ensure that they stay up to date with the latest guidance in these specialist areas.		
7.6	Groups of children mixing resulting in risk of more widespread transmission	This school will follow the government lead system of controls to minimise risk of infection.	For the initial autumn half term, classes will only mix (in year groups) externally. Assemblies will be online initially to support pupils with settling into school life and expectations.	
7.7	Remote education	School leaders will develop a contingency plan in accordance with the remote education expectations which supports pupils who are unable to attend due to covid restrictions. Policies, training and guidance will reflect additional measures where necessary. Remote lessons to follow school protocol to ensure safeguarding of staff and students		
7.8	Educational visits	Educational visits to be planned in line with government roadmaps and any relevant Covid 19 secure guidelines. Consult the <a href="#">health and safety guidance on educational visits</a> when considering visits. For additional information check with EVOLVE guidance on website.		
<b>8</b>	<b>Provision of food</b>			

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8.1	Food prepared on premises is compliant with Covid - 19 health and hygiene guidance	School kitchens must comply with the <a href="#">Guidance for food businesses on coronavirus (COVID-19)</a> Free schools meals to be provided in accordance with the guidance.		
8.2	Catering staff are operating in a safe environment	In addition to the standard operations for safe working practices, catering staff to follow the relevant aspects of government guidance for food premises: <a href="#">Standards for school food in England</a>		
<b>9</b>	<b>Communications with parents and others</b>			
9.1	Parents, contractors and other staff entering or working in the building – school complying with external requirements for staff safety	Regular communication to be sent to parents and carers (i.e. newsletters) including any relevant updates and reminders. Inform all visitors, suppliers, and contractors that no one should enter if they are displaying symptoms of coronavirus. Regular updates to website communicating this risk assessment		
9.2	Suppliers understanding and complying with new arrangements	Discuss new arrangements to encourage and facilitate delivery of goods and services during quiet times or outside school hours wherever possible. All to follow visitor guidance.		

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9.3	Communications to parents and staff	Updates to risk assessments, processes and procedures are communicated to staff when updates are approved. Regular communication to parents and staff will be provided, usually through newsletters and official school communication systems.		
9.4	Pupils and families anxious about return	Support in place to address concerns and communications with parents on measures in place to reduce anxiety. Clear messaging on expectations for attendance and identification of those who may be disengaged, disadvantaged or vulnerable and where catch up funding may need to be applied.		
9.5	Parent aggression due to anxiety and stress.	Support parents and carers by providing regular communication share appropriate methods they can raise issues and concerns. Staff to escalate any concerns to a member of SLT for support.		
9.6	Confirmed case in school	Where there is a confirmed case: Engage with the NHS Test and Trace process where necessary. Manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (Covid 19) amongst the school community.		
<b>10</b>	<b>Oversight of the governing body</b>			
10.1	Lack of governor oversight during the COVID-19 crisis leads to the school failing to meet statutory requirements	The governing body continues to meet regularly. The governing body agendas are structured to ensure all statutory requirements are discussed and school leaders are held to account for their implementation. The Headteacher's report to governors includes content and updates on how the school is continuing to meet its statutory obligations in addition to covering the school's response to COVID-19. Regular dialogue with the Chair of Governors and those governors with designated responsibilities is in place. Minutes of governing body meetings are reviewed to ensure that they accurately record governors' oversight and holding leaders to account for areas of statutory responsibility.		

Further action required				
Section of RA	Additional Actions / Control measures required	Person responsible	Deadline date:	Date action completed
	School to outline the actions need		Must add a date	

<b>Headteacher</b>	<b>Name:</b>	C. Neal.	<b>Signed:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	03/09/21
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The outcome of this assessment should be shared with the relevant staff.  
 A copy of the completed assessment to be kept on file and copied to the Health & Safety Co-ordinator.  
 Once approved by all parties, a copy to be saved here: <Z:\COVID-19\Risk Assessments>

**Arrangements must be in place to monitor that the controls are: Effective, working as planned and updated appropriately considering any issues identified and changes in public health advice**

**Review of Risk Assessment:**

Review period:	Weekly / Fortnightly / Monthly / Termly	Review Date:	Reviewed by:	Comments / changes: