

LBTH Schools – School SLA Health and Safety - COVID-19 SCHOOL RISK ASSESSMENT March 2022

<b>Description of Activity</b>	COVID 19 Secure School Risk Assessment Version 9	<b>Review Dates</b>	
<b>Location</b>	Sir William Burrough School	<b>Tier level</b>	No restrictions
<b>Completed by</b>	Anthony Wilson		
<b>Date of Assessment</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> March 2022		

**SECTION ONE: PREVENTION**

<b>What are the hazards?</b>	<b>Who &amp; how might someone be harmed?</b>	<b>What are you currently doing to control risks?</b>	<b>Risk Rating L / M / H</b>	<b>What else do you need to do (if applicable)?</b>	<b>Action by who / when?</b>	<b>Date Completed</b>
<p><b>(1. Minimise contact)</b></p> <p>People unwell/ Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)</p> <p>Someone entering the school/workplace/offices with CV19</p>	<p><b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors, parents/ carers</b></p> <p>Causing severe infection/disease</p>	<p><b>When an individual develops COVID-19 symptoms or has a positive test</b></p> <p>We follow public health advice on <u>when to self-isolate and what to do</u>. Staff and children do not come into school if they have symptoms.</p> <p>If anyone in the school develops <u>COVID-19 symptoms</u>, they are sent home and they follow public health advice.</p> <p>Appropriate PPE is used if close contact is necessary. guidance.</p> <p>Pupils and staff return to school as soon as they can, in line with guidance for People with COVID-19 and their contacts. Currently, the school is holding to the guidance that symptomatic people do not come into school for a minimum of 5 days and only once two negative lateral flow tests, 24 hours apart, have been taken.</p> <p><b>In circumstances where face coverings are recommended</b></p> <p>Where children or adults require lip reading or other visual signs to help in communication, staff will wear transparent face coverings. The school understands its duty to comply with the Equality Act 2010 which includes making reasonable adjustments for disabled staff</p>				
<p><b>(2. Face Coverings)</b></p> <p>Coronavirus</p>	<p><b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b></p>	<p>1 Face coverings are no longer advised for pupils, staff and visitors in classrooms or communal areas. The school still expresses a strong preference for visitors and parents to wear face coverings in communal areas of the school.</p>				

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(COVID-19) (CV19)	<b>Causing severe infection/disease</b>	<b>In circumstances where face coverings are recommended</b> In the event that public health advise that face coverings should temporarily be worn in communal areas or classrooms (by pupils, staff and visitors, unless exempt), this will be enforced.				
<b>(3. Hand hygiene)</b>  Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)  Poor Hand hygiene	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	1 Frequent and thorough hand cleaning is now be regular practice. Pupils have their hands sanitised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• when they arrive at school</li> <li>• when they return from breaks</li> <li>• before and after eating</li> </ul> Sanitiser is always available in classrooms, public areas and at the school entrance. We continue to help pupils with complex needs to clean their hands properly.				
<b>(4. Respiratory hygiene)</b>  Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	<b>Respiratory hygiene</b> 1 We maintain the ‘catch it, bin it, kill it’ approach is regards respiratory hygiene.				
<b>(5. Cleaning regime)</b>  Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)  Someone entering the school/workplace/offices	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b>	<b>Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes, using standard products such as detergents</b>  The school runs a thorough cleaning schedule, including a complete clean at the end of the day and a clean of all touchpoints at lunchtime. We follow UKHSA published guidance on the <a href="#">cleaning of non-healthcare settings</a>				

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with CV19 and there are poor cleaning standards	Causing severe infection/disease					
(6. <b>Minimise contact</b> ) Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors, parents/ carers</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	The school is currently maintaining larger bubbles within the school building, so assemblies and lunchtimes are attended by consistent groups who do not cross over (Years 5 and 6; Years 3 and 4; Years 1 and 2; Foundation Stage).  In the event of an outbreak, the school has comprehensive contingency plans covering the possibility that it may become necessary to reintroduce 'bubbles' for a temporary period, to reduce mixing between groups.				
(7. <b>Keeping occupied spaces well ventilated</b> )  COVID-19) (CV19)  Someone entering the school/workplace/offices with CV19	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	The school maintains good ventilation in all classrooms and public areas, keeping windows and internal doors open at all times, whilst maintaining a comfortable temperature in times of poor weather. All classrooms are equipped with CO2 monitors.			All staff on site with children  SLT  Children  Premises and cleaning teams	
(8. <b>Personal Protective Equipment</b> )  Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	Staff and pupils are welcome to use face-masks if they wish at any and all times whilst on school premises.				

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<p><b>(9. Promote and engage in asymptomatic testing, where available.)</b></p> <p>Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)</p> <p>Someone entering the school/workplace/offices with CV19</p>	<p><b>Employees, agency/ peripatetic staff</b></p> <p>Causing severe infection/disease</p>	<p><b>Asymptomatic testing</b></p> <p>In the event of an outbreak, we understand that the school may be advised by their local health team or director of public health to undertake testing for staff for a period. This is built into the school's contingency planning.</p>				
<p><b>SECTION 2: SCHOOL OPERATIONS</b></p>						
<p><b>(10. Attendance)</b></p> <p>Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)</p> <p>Someone entering the school/workplace/offices with CV19</p>	<p><b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors, parents/ carers</b></p> <p>Causing severe infection/disease</p>	<p>The school continues to use the updated codes for recording covid related absence, where self-isolation or quarantine is code X and a confirmed case recorded as code I</p> <p><b>Admitting children into school</b></p> <p>Pupil with symptoms are expected not to attend the school.</p> <p>If a parent or carer insists on a pupil attending your school, the school reserves the right to refuse the pupil if, in our reasonable judgement, they pose a potential infection threat to others.</p> <p><b>Encouraging regular school attendance</b></p> <p>We continue to communicate clearly and consistently the expectations around school attendance to families</p> <p><b>Vulnerable children</b> we have strong systems in place to keep in contact with them, When a vulnerable pupil is asked to self-isolate, we:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• notify their social worker (if they have one) and, for looked-after children</li> <li>• agree with the social worker the best way to maintain contact and offer support</li> </ul>				

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		All children who are self-isolating have access to remote education and it is regularly checked that they are accessing it. All concerns are shared with school leadership and other appropriate bodies as deemed appropriate.				
<b>(11. School Workforce)</b> Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)  Someone entering the school/workplace/offices with CV19	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	Any staff member who has received personal advice from their specialist or clinician on additional precautions to take, and these are fully respected by the school. Any pregnant employees will follow the specific guidance and, again, will be supported by the school fully in this.  <b>Vaccination</b> It is recommended school staff take up the offer of a vaccine.				
<b>(12. Catering/ Kitchens)</b> Main kitchen Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)  Someone entering the school/workplace/offices with CV19	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	We continue to provide free school meal support to pupils who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals and who are learning at home during term time.				
<b>(13. Educational Visits)</b>  Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19) with CV19	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors, parents/ carers</b>	At current, the school is only sending children out on trips which can be walked to, as we are maintaining an avoidance of public transport. This will be reviewed in light of infection rates as time goes past. A full risk assessment is undertaken, as normal, for all planned visits and trips.				

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<b>(14. Contingency planning)</b>  Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)  Someone entering the school/workplace/offices with CV19	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors, parents/ carers</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	A full contingency plan is in place in the event that infection levels in the school or the local community rise to such levels as public health ask the school to instigate them. Plans are in place if a specific class needs to isolate from the rest of the school.				
<b>(15. First aid)</b>  Coronavirus (COVID-19) (CV19)  Someone entering the school/workplace/offices with CV19	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors</b>  Causing severe infection/disease	First aiders will generally support pupils who are ill or injured whilst wearing appropriate PPE. Otherwise, all first aid continues as normal.				
<b>(16. Pupil wellbeing and support)</b>	<b>Employees, agency, pupils, visitors, parents/ carers</b>	<b>Wellbeing for Education Return Programme</b>  We are aware that some pupils may be experiencing a variety of emotions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, such as anxiety, stress or low mood. The school continues to support such pupils as and where necessary,				
<b>(17. Safeguarding)</b>		We continue to have full regard to the statutory safeguarding guidance <u>keeping children safe in education.</u>				

Overall Residual Risk for Activity (L / M / H):	
Level of Risk	Suggested Action
<b>LOW</b>	Control measures are adequate but continue to monitor and review; ensure that they remain satisfactory and appropriate
<b>MEDIUM</b>	Control measures need to be introduced within a specified time period; continue to monitor and review
<b>HIGH</b>	Unless control measures can be immediately introduced to reduce the risk so far as is reasonably practicable, the task or activity should be suspended