








Welbourn Church of England Primary School

'Believe, Excite, Succeed, Together'

Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan January 2022




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| <p>When 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 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. Instead, they will need to: take a LFD test every day for 7 days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result. If a positive test result is recorded, then pupils should isolate and book a PCR test. Pupils under 5 do not need to undertake 7 day testing. |
| |  <p>YES</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test. • 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 – but follow Government guidance. |

Face Coverings – face coverings should be worn by staff and adult visitors when moving around the premises, outside of classrooms, such as in corridors and communal areas. This is a temporary measure.
Lateral Flow Tests – all visitors to school should take LFD before attending. Staff are strongly encouraged to take LFD twice a week (3-4 days apart) and ensure they are fully vaccinated and boosted. LFD should be taken before returning to school after the holidays.

| Community Covid Risk | Description | Actions |
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|  <p>Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.</p> | <p><u>Level 1</u></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. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Covid measures are necessary beyond: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminding children of good hand-hygiene. • Ensuring good ventilation. • Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test). • Staff will continue to test themselves using Lateral Flow tests. |
|  <p>Rapidly Rising Community Transmission</p> | <p><u>Level 2</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Lincolnshire Public Health / Public Health England | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ventilation of classrooms increased and hand-washing supervised. • Large indoor events audience numbers reduced. • Staff room capacity is reduced. • Whole-school Collective Worship replaced with virtual Collective Worship. • Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Headteacher to review their individual risk assessment and discuss any clinical advice from their health professional and |

issue warnings of
expected local/ national
infection wave.

[which additional precautions to follow](#). Discuss
additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings,
reduction in movement between classes/ groups).

| Number of Cases: | Description: | Actions: |
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|  <p>A single child/staff member tests Positive</p> | <p><u>Level 3</u></p> <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. • There are cases in more than one class across the school • National concerns regarding Covid levels escalate. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The child self-isolates in accordance with Government guidance (10 days or 7 days depending on testing). 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 however in some cases the school can support this process. • If the positive case is admitted to hospital, HT to seek public health advice (08000468687 Option 1) • Ventilation in school is increased. • Review whether school trips and visits can continue. • 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. |
|  <p>5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other. OR 10% of children who are likely to have mixed who have tested positive for Covid 19 within a 10 day period.</p> | <p><u>Level 4</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been 5 cases of Covid across a year group or class within 10 days which could mean that Covid is spreading within that group of children. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above for each positive case. • The school will discuss the outbreak with Lincolnshire Public Health and send the completed template. • Strengthening protective measures <u>for 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Re-introducing staff social distancing for corridors & communal areas. ○ One off enhanced cleaning of touch points, equipment and classroom. ○ Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor events, trips, open days and performances. ○ Reverting to virtual Collective Worship. ○ Reducing the amount of classes staff work across. ○ Continue twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing. ○ Reintroduce staff wearing masks in classrooms if needed. ○ 7 day lateral flow tests for staff contacts. ○ Letter to be sent to parents to inform them of actions taken for Level 4. |
|  <p>Covid cases continue to increase rapidly</p> | <p><u>Level 5</u></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. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The school will discuss the outbreak with Lincolnshire Public Health and send the completed template. • 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. ○ Staggered playtimes. ○ Limiting all non-essential visitors to school. ○ Postponing all non-essential events. |

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| <p>within a 10 day period. Or Significant staff absences</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Or staffing is reduced and it is not possible to safely accommodate all children on site. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered. (This will only be considered if staffing does not meet safe opening requirements.) ○ On site provision with remain for vulnerable pupils and children of critical workers. If provision on site is temporarily ceased based on government/public health advice, alternative arrangements for vulnerable pupils must be made with the local authority. ○ Letter to be issued to parents to inform them of changed and meeting Level 5. |
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Note:

- If shielding is introduced by National government, national guidance would be followed. This may result in staff members working from home.
- DSL y will be in school/available at all times. If remote learning is enacted, the DSL will review the child protection policy so that it reflects the local restrictions and remains effective
- **Where vulnerable children are absent from school, this will be reported to the Head teacher to follow up and liaison with the carer, local authority and social worker will take place as appropriate.**
- The school will inform parents of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed.
- Schools should also continue to provide free school meals support in the form of meals or lunch parcels for pupils who are eligible for benefits related free school meals and who are not attending school because they have had symptoms or a positive test result themselves.