

Covid-19 : Outbreak Management Plan

St.Clement's C of E Primary Academy

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1. Introduction

This plan is based on the [contingency framework for managing local outbreaks](#) of COVID-19 and the [schools operational guidance from step 4](#), provided by the Department for Education (DfE).

We will only implement some, or all, of the measures in this plan in response to recommendations provided by our local authority (LA), director of public health (DsPH), Public Health England (PHE) health protection team or the national government.

It may be necessary to implement these measures in the following circumstances, for example:

- To help manage a COVID-19 outbreak within the school
- If COVID-19 infection rates in the community are extremely high, and other measures have failed to reduce transmission
- As part of a package of measures responding to a 'variant of concern' (VoC) as of 29.11.21

We continue to carry out high levels of personal hygiene(handwashing) and hygiene & health education for children. Staff also carry out enhanced cleaning of frequently touched surfaces throughout the day. Rooms are kept well ventilated.

2. Shielding

We will adhere to national guidance on the reintroduction of shielding, which would apply to those on the [shielded patient list \(SPL\)](#).

We will speak to individuals required to shield about additional protective measures in school or arrangements for home working or learning.

We will advise all staff and parents of updated isolation guidance.

3. Other measures

We will limit:

- Residential educational visits
- Open days
- Transition or taster days
- Parents coming into school- all parents will be asked to wear masks on the playground/grounds
- Live performances
- Split or combine classes when necessary due to staff Covid related absence

We will reintroduce:

- Face coverings in communal areas and classrooms for staff and visitors (unless exempt)- re introduced 29.11.21
- Pupils to be in bubbles for lunchtime & playtime to limit crossover
- Moved to phase or class based collective worship
- Re-arrange furniture to front facing rows

4. Attendance restrictions

Attendance restrictions will only be recommended as a last resort. If recommended, we will implement the measures in this section.

4.1 Eligibility to remain in school

In the first instance, we will stay open for:

- Vulnerable pupils (new Government definition of vulnerable)
- Children of critical workers
- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils

If further restrictions are recommended, we will stay open for:

- Vulnerable pupils (new Government definition of vulnerable)
- Children of critical workers

4.2 Education and support for pupils at home

All other pupils will be required to stay at home and will receive remote education.

We will aim to deliver remote education that meets the same quality and quantity of education that pupils would receive in school, as outlined in our remote learning policy which can be found on the school website. Whenever possible we will deliver 'live' streamed lessons for pupils either at home or in classrooms if teachers are absent but well enough to deliver lessons.

The school will continue to provide meals or lunch parcels for pupils eligible for benefits-related free school meals while they are not attending school because of COVID-19 isolation guidelines. This will be arranged as and when necessary with the school kitchen and will be delivered by staff.

4.3 Wraparound care

We will limit access to before and after-school activities and wraparound care during term time and the summer holidays to those that need it most.

We will communicate who will be eligible to attend once the restrictions are confirmed.

4.4 Safeguarding

We will review our child protection policy to make sure it reflects the local restrictions and remains effective.

We will aim to have a trained DSL or deputy DSL on site wherever possible.

If one of our DSLs (or deputy) can't be on site, they can be contacted remotely by phone.

On occasions where there is no DSL or deputy on site, a senior leader will take responsibility for co-ordinating safeguarding on site.

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