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## COVID OUTBREAK CONTINGENCY PLAN – SEPTEMBER 2021

<p><b>When should my child self-isolate or miss school?</b></p> 	 <p><b>NO</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All children <b>MUST</b> attend school unless they are ill.</li> <li>• From 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, 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 COVID19.</li> <li>• Instead, they will need to book a PCR test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.</li> </ul>
	 <p><b>YES</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If your child develops COVID19 symptoms at home, they must <u>stay at home</u> and book a PCR test, <u>NOT</u> a Lateral Flow test.</li> <li>• If your child develops COVID19 symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you must book them a PCR test.</li> <li>• If your child tests positive for COVID19, 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 instead, should book a PCR test.</li> <li>• If your child has a positive PCR test, NHS test and trace will contact you to trace close contacts.</li> </ul>

CASES	DESCRIPTION	ACTIONS
 <p><b>Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There have been no cases of COVID19 within school for 10 school days.</li> <li>• Cases of COVID19 locally are low and/ or stable.</li> </ul>	<p>No COVID19 measures are necessary beyond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good hand-hygiene.</li> <li>• Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical.</li> <li>• Enhanced cleaning of touch points.</li> <li>• Ensuring children or staff to stay at home if they have COVID19 Symptoms (and to book a PCR test).</li> <li>• Staff twice-weekly Lateral Flow Testing.</li> <li>• Optional face coverings for staff/parents.</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Rapidly Rising Community Transmission</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No current COVID19 cases have been recorded at school, but...</li> <li>• Cases of COVID19 are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.</li> <li>• Lancashire Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ventilation of classrooms increased &amp; hand-washing supervised.</li> <li>• Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced.</li> <li>• Staffroom capacity is reduced.</li> <li>• Whole-school Worship replaced with Key Stage Worship.</li> </ul>

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 <p><b>A single child or staff member tests positive using a PCR test</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A single child/staff member tests positive for COVID19 in a class.</li> <li>• There are fewer than 5 cases in the class.</li> <li>• No other classes are affected.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The child/staff member self-isolates for 10 days.</li> <li>• Remote learning, or working from home duties, provided if they are well enough to complete it as outlined in our remote learning plan.</li> <li>• Likely close contacts will be contacted by NHS Track and Trace and advised to book at PCR Test. The school will contact parents to advise of a positive case in a class.</li> <li>• <b>Children do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for the result of the PCR test unless they have COVID19 symptoms or have tested positive using a Lateral Flow Test.</b></li> </ul>
 <p><b>5 children or staff within a phase group test positive within 10 days of each other.</b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>3 children or staff in a single class</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There have been 5 cases of COVID19 across a phase group within 10 days which could mean that COVID19 is spreading within that group of children.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>As above for each positive case.</b></li> <li>• The school will discuss the outbreak with Lancashire Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures <u>for 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Re-introducing mandatory face masks for staff in corridors/communal areas and for parents entering school grounds.</li> <li>○ Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.</li> <li>○ Reverting to virtual Collective Worship.</li> <li>○ Reducing the amount of staff working across classes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
 <p><b>COVID19 cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Despite the measures indicated above, COVID19 cases within the school continue to rise within a 10 day period with multiple classes and staff affected, suggesting that COVID19 is spreading widely throughout the school.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and Lancashire Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Re-introducing the phase bubble system.</li> <li>○ Postponing all non-essential events.</li> <li>○ Only essential visitors to school permitted.</li> <li>○ <b>Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered, as outlined in our remote learning plan.</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

The school will inform parents of any changes to COVID19 measures should these be needed.