Aston Fence J & I School

Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan – January 2022



When should my child self-isolate or miss school?



- All children MUST attend school unless they are ill.
- From 16th 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 Covid.
- Instead, they will need to book a PRC test but can continue coming to school and take LFDs for 7 days so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.



- If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should take a LFD test.
- If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and they should take a LFD 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 instead should follow current guidance around
 testing and isolation.
- The school will inform parents of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed.

Community Covid Risk	Description	Actions
Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.	 There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school days. Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable. Hospitalisation/ Deaths 	 No Covid measures are necessary beyond: Reminding children of good hand-hygiene. Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical. Ensuring children/staff to stay at home if they have Covid symptoms and follow guidance.
School Cases.	due to Covid nationally are low.	 Staff will continue to test themselves using lateral flow tests twice weekly.



- 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.
- Rotherham Public
 Health / Public Health
 England issue warnings
 of expected local/
 national infection
 wave.

- Ventilation of classrooms increased & handwashing supervised.
- Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced.
- Staffroom capacity is reduced.
- Whole-school assemblies are replaced with class assemblies in individual rooms.
- Clinically vulnerable staff meet with SLT to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between
 - Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.

 A single child tests positive for Covid in a class. There are fewer than 5 	 The child self-isolates for 5/ learning will be provided in enough to complete it. See policy.

A single child tests positive

Number of Cases:

cases in the year group.

Description:

- No other year groups are affected.
- /7/10 days. Remote if they are well ee Remote Learning

Actions:

- 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 and advised on further action. The school may contact parents to advise this if close contacts are known.
- Children do not need to miss school or selfisolate whilst they wait for the result of a **PCR test unless they have Covid symptoms** but should do daily lateral flows.



5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.

OR a single class/club within 10 days.

- There have been 5 cases of Covid across a year group within 10 days which could mean that Covid is spreading within that group of children.
- As above for each positive case.
- The school will discuss the outbreak with Rotherham Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures for 10 days, including:
 - Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, visits and performances.
 - Reducing the amount of classes staff work across.



Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.

- 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.
- Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and Rotherham Public Health to agree further measures for a further 10 days, including:
 - Re-introducing class bubbles.
 - Reverting to bubble lunches.
 - o Postponing all non-essential events.
 - Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 days considered, as outlined in our Remote Learning Policy.