

Woodside C of E Primary School

COVID 19 Outbreak Management Plan 1st September 2021

Our Vision

This plan is based on the following Government guidance:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/schools-covid-19-operational-guidance

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The government states that an 'outbreak' is when there are 'several' cases within the school, and these are defined as

- Five cases within a group (children or staff) which is likely to have mixed closely within a 10 day period
- 10% of children or staff who are likely to have mixed closely within a 10 day period
- There are a number of staff with COVID-19 at the same time which impacts on the running of the school

Additional advice will be sought from PHE (0800 046 8687 opt1)

The school will inform Warwickshire County Council and BDMAT of all positive cases in school

<u>In these situations, the following mitigation</u> needs to be put in place:

Five cases within the same class at the same time:

- The class will return to being a 'bubble' and avoid contact with other classes for 10 calendar days. Staggered starts / end of days will be considered depending on the perceived risks for this bubble. Children within this 'bubble' will have staggered play and lunch times, separate to the rest of the school and revert to eating lunch in their classroom. The class affected will access collective worship through google classroom or as an individual class.
- Staff associated with this class will be advised to carry out daily LFD tests for 10 days.
- Parents will be contacted to inform them of a positive case within the class and to ask them to arrange PCR tests for their children.
- Arrangements are in place for remote learning for any pupils having to isolate as a result of the virus.
- Arrangements are also in place for these children to be provided a free lunch if they qualify for a means tested free school meal.
- Additional lunchtime cleaning regime will be re-instated for frequent touchpoints across the school

A significant number of cases across several classes:

- The school will return to 'bubble' arrangements across the school including staggered starts / finish times for 10 calendar days to hopefully create a 'firebreak'.
- A new risk assessment put in place in consultation with Mark Roberts (BDMAT Head of Operations) to use for 10 days to reduce the spread of the virus within the school.

 Staff will wear face coverings in communal areas unless exempt. The decision to return to 'bubbles' will not be taken lightly and will be avoided if at all possible. The decision will be made in consultation with a member of the BDMAT Executive Team.

There are a number of staff with COVID-19 at the same time: Staffrooms will be closed-off and staff meetings will return to being online until it appears that the virus is not spreading further amongst staff. Staff will wear face coverings in communal areas unless exempt.

In extreme cases, where all other risk mitigations have not broken chains on inschool transmission

- DPH may advise introducing short term attendance restrictions in a school.
 BDMAT executive team will be involved in the decision to close a bubble.
- Remote learning using Goggle classroom/Tapestry will be initiated immediately
- On site provision will be offered for all vulnerable children and the children of key workers.
- Arrangements will be made for all children eligible for a free school meal to receive a lunch
- School will work closely with the DsPH and HPT and keep the situation under regular review in order to return to onsite learning as soon as it is safe to do so.

If a member of staff tests positive, school will contact the Self isolation Service Hub on 020 3742 6715. The school may need to provide the 8-digit NHS test and trace account ID (CTAS number) along with the names of staff who work closely with them.

If a pupil or member of staff are admitted to hospital with Covid 19, the school will inform and seek advice from PHE DFE helpline (0800 046 8687 opt1)

Close mixing is defined as:

- A class
- A friendship group at break/lunch times
- A sports team
- A group within Woodpeckers