

Risk Assessment



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Assessor's Name:	Liz Ormerod	Review Date:	(as national/regional guidance changes) Autumn 2
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Endorsed By:	Thomas Hederick and Lawrence Smye-Rumsby	Position:	Governing Body	Date:	11/01/21 26/01/21 5/03/21 2/9/21
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Description of assessment	Coronavirus (COVID-19)
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Location Details	Delph Side Primary School, Skelmersdale
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Decision & rationale of the Governing Body and Headteacher	<p><u>Decision:</u> School to fully reopen to all year groups, in line with the government guidance.</p> <p><u>Rationale:</u> With clear measures taken, as per the guidance, school reopens to all children.</p> <p>The Governing Body notes its legal responsibility to ensure that safeguard is at the forefront of our minds in all aspects of school life; Section 175(2) of the Education Act 2002 ['the Act'], provides that:</p> <p><i>"The governing body of a maintained school shall make arrangements for ensuring that their functions relating to the conduct of the school are exercised with a view to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children who are pupils at the school", (emphasis added).</i></p> <p>The Governing Body note that guidance issued at Local Authority level must also be considered in the same manner and given the same weight as national guidance issued by the Government. Guidance cannot outweigh legal duties under the Act or other pieces of Health and Safety Legislation.</p>
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Identified Hazards	Who may be affected	Risk Level before control measures S x L = R				Existing control measures	Additional Control measures required	To be actioned by	Completion date	Final Risk level S x L = R			
		S	L	R	RR					S	L	R	RR
		Rapid infection rates of Covid19	Children Staff Parents/Carers	5	3					15	H	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School to continue operate via year group 'bubbles' (although no longer a Govt instruction) to limit the opportunity for transmission Covid Testing for School Staff: Bi weekly testing in for all school staff (all opted in) Request for tests to be taken Monday and Thursday by staff who will be on site. Administered first thing in the morning, prior to eating and drinking. Positive results must be reported by the staff member immediately to SBM and Headteacher, as well as to the NHS reporting line and then isolate for 10 days. A further PCR test should be booked at a drive in site to confirm the result. 'Close contacts' identified by NHS Track and Trace and isolate 	<p>Safety measures taken in school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff and children will be told to self-isolate for 10 days should they find they have a new, persistent cough, change in taste or sense of smell, and/or a high temperature. Any staff who have a family member testing positive at home must inform Headteacher A cleaning schedule will be implemented throughout the site, ensuring that worksurfaces, door handles, taps etc. are all thoroughly cleaned with an antibacterial cleaning substance. Staff room can now reopen for use over staggered lunchtimes (sanitise between uses) Hand sanitiser used on entry, prior to entering the building.

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Staff remain as consistent as possible with their bubble, staff have limited movement between bubbles, although this is allowed- I pads to be sanitised after use- Sanitizing stations- Availability of a digital thermometer- PPE available for intimate care or if symptoms are displayed- One way system for drop off and pick up times- Staff to wear masks in corridors and communal areas- Parents requested to wear masks on the school site- Regular hand washing- Tissues provided in all rooms- All rooms to offer excellent ventilation through propping open doors and periodically opening windows						
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							all surfaces to be sanitised after use						
Children missing education if needing to isolate	All children in R to Y6	5	3	15	H	<p>Currently:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All children can access online learning opportunities should they need to isolate. - If a whole bubble was to close, lessons would be taught live - Attendance would be expected with online learning, as if in school - Covid Attendance Policy in place (use of X mark for all and teachers to log who accesses the online lessons and learning) - All children and parents can message their teacher daily and have same day response - Online work can be marked and learning encouraged by class staff, providing purpose and support. - All children, isolating, receive weekly, some bi/tri weekly, phone calls 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure, where possible, all vulnerable children have access to online learning – potential loan of school iPad (as in lockdown) - Online learning policy in place - Enhanced cleaning schedule, including teachers vacating classrooms by designated times - Where possible, if a teacher is isolating but well, class remain in school, with teacher zoom teaching and TA taking care of the class 	Head & Governing Body	Ongoing review	2	2	4	L

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identified children are visited at home (welfare check) - Parents of vulnerable children isolating have weekly contact with a DSL, relationships established on trust - Safeguarding team able to support families in need promptly and with dedication (attendance at online safeguarding meetings) 										
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Guidance Notes

SEVERITY	5	5	10	15	20	25
	4	4	8	12	16	20
	3	3	6	9	12	15
	2	2	4	6	8	10
	1	1	2	3	4	5
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	LIKELIHOOD
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LIKELIHOOD	
5	Almost Certain – Very High Risk
4	Probable – High Risk
3	Medium Risk
2	Improbable – Low Risk
1	Almost impossible – Low Risk

SEVERITY	
5	Fatality – Very High Risk
4	High Risk
3	Medium Risk
2	Low Risk
1	Insignificant – Low Risk

1–4 LOW	5–9 MEDIUM	10–15 HIGH	16–25 VERY HIGH
<p>Continue with existing control, however monitor for changes. Implement any additional control measures required, within the timescales given in the risk assessment.</p>	<p>Requires attention to reduce the rating as well as regular ongoing monitoring. Implement any additional control measures required, within the timescales given in the risk assessment.</p>	<p>Requires immediate attention to bring the risk down to an acceptable level. Implement the control measures required, within the timescales given in the risk assessment and continue to review working practices to reduce the probability of an accident to the lowest possible level.</p>	<p>Stop immediately – the risk is too high. Take immediate action to reduce the risk to the lowest level possible.</p>