

COVID-19 Outbreak Contingency Plan – September 2021

When should my child self-isolate or miss school?	NO .	All children MUST attend school unless they are ill. From 16 th 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 PCR test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.
	YES •	If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at</u> <u>home</u> and should book a PCR test), <u>NOT</u> a Lateral Flow test. If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR 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 book a PCR test.

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 due to Covid nationally are low. 	 In accordance with Government guidance, the following measures will be in place to reduce the risk of transmission of Covid-19: Good hand hygiene will continue to be encouraged – pupils will wash hands using soap and water frequently, staff and visitors will use hand sanitiser throughout the day and wash hands using soap and water frequently. Ventilation - we will continue to keep school well ventilated as far as possible. Enhanced cleaning will continue - frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned twice a day. Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test). Staff will continue to test using Lateral flow tests until the end of September. Staggered time & locations for collection and drop off Staggered lunch time / location

Rising Community Transmission	 No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but Cases of Covid are rising in the community and/or are above the average in England NYCC Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave. 	 Ventilation of classrooms increased & handwashing supervised. Communal areas e.g Staff-room reduced capacity. Whole-school assemblies are replaced with Key Stage assemblies. Clinically Extremely Vulnerable staff meet with Line-Managers to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings) One-way system re-introduced
Number of Cases:	Description:	Actions:
A single child tests Positive	 A single child tests positive for Covid in a class. There are fewer than 5 cases in the class. No other year groups are affected. 	 The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it as outlined on the website or work packs are sent home 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 to book a PCR Test. The school will contact parents to advise this if close contacts are known. Children do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for the result of the PCR test unless they have Covid Symptoms.



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

- There have been 5 cases of Covid across a class 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 NYCC Health / Public Health England and agree strengthening protective measures <u>for</u> <u>10 school days</u>, including:
 - Encouraging the use of face masks in corridors and communal areas
 - Adapting, Limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.
 - Reverting to Key Stage Assemblies/online assemblies

		 Reducing the amount of classes staff work across. Resuming twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing.
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 NYCC Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10</u> <u>school days</u>, including: Re-introducing class bubbles. Reverting to phase school lunches across three floors. Limiting all non-essential visitors to school. Postponing all non-essential events. Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered, as outlined on the school website. <u>https://www.groveroad.n- yorks.sch.uk/our-school/home- learning-plan</u>

The school will inform parents/carers of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed.