



COVID-19: CFS risk mitigation outbreak management plan

Department for Education documents considered:

1. Contingency Framework August 2021

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-local-restrictions-in-education-and-childcare-settings?utm_source=18%20August%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

2. Schools Covid-19 Operational Guidance 17th August 2021

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/schools-covid-19-operational-guidance?utm_source=18%20August%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19#contents

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1. Introduction

This plan is based on the [contingency framework for managing local outbreaks](#) of COVID-19 and the [schools operational guidance from step 4](#), published by the Department for Education (DfE).

We will only implement some, or all, of the measures in this plan in response to recommendations provided by our local authority (LA), director of public health (DsPH), Public Health England (PHE) health protection team or the national government.

It may be necessary to implement these measures in the following circumstances:

- To help manage a COVID-19 outbreak within the school
- If COVID-19 infection rates in the community are extremely high, and other measures have failed to reduce transmission
- As part of a package of measures responding to a 'variant of concern' (VoC)

This plan also summarises the measures and mitigations which will be in place at school to reduce the risk of spreading infection (Covid-19) at school.

2. Testing

Since September 2021, CFS has strongly encouraged twice weekly home testing for years 7-11 and all adults working in school:

1. Years 7-11 reporting at Registration on Mondays and Thursdays (all positive cases stay home)
2. Adult testing: reporting directly on NHS site (all positive cases stay home)

September 2021: New year 7s and new pupils to school: on site testing

January 2022: School reporting of lateral flow testing 61/80 pupils. All negative.

3. Face coverings

We will recommend face coverings in line with national and local guidelines.

Face Coverings in communal places for years 7-11 and adults working and visiting school introduced as per DfE recommendation in November 2021

Face covering for pupils in classes recommended from the beginning of term 6th January in accordance with Plan B mitigations and school guidance from the DfE. This advice was withdrawn from 27th January, however the school may ask pupils using the minibus for trips to wear masks for the journey.

4. Shielding

We will adhere to national guidance on the reintroduction of shielding, which would apply to those on the [shielded patient list \(SPL\)](#) and continue to provide strengthened support for named individuals in staff and pupil body.

5. Other measures

If recommended, we may limit:

- Residential educational visits
- Open days
- Transition or taster days
- Parents coming into school
- Live performances
- PiPs sessions

If recommended, we may reintroduce:

- Bubbles, to reduce mixing between groups. These will initially be: Lower School, Years 4-6, Years 7-8, and years 9-11 with approximately 40 children in each bubble.

6. Attendance restrictions (Isolation)

Attendance restrictions are followed as set out below.

1. September 2021: If anyone in the household tests positive for Covid, all children and staff are asked to stay home and isolate (length according to current guidance).
2. November 2021: Adults who are double jabbed and have had a booster and who can maintain distance from any positive members of the household can come in to school but should take enhanced precautions re close working and should perform daily lateral flow testing
3. January 2022: Additional children and young people living in households where there is a positive case who can isolate from any positive members of the household, can come into school if they undertake daily testing **and** additionally wear a mask (as much as possible). This is determined with families on a case by case basis.
4. January 2022 All double vaccinated and boosted adults and all children are required to isolate for 5 full days, but can return to school after 2 clear lateral flow tests.

6.1 Eligibility to remain in school if school attendance is restricted through national guidance

In the first instance, we will stay open for:

- Vulnerable pupils
- Children of critical workers
- Year 10 and 11 pupils
- Years R and 1

6.2 Education and support for pupils at home

All other pupils who are required to stay at home will receive tailored education which may include joining Google Meets in years 9, 10 and 11 and wherever possible in years 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 if they are well enough to work.

We will aim to deliver remote education that meets the same quality and quantity of education that pupils would receive in school, as outlined in our *Remote Learning Policy which is part of our Online Safety Policy* [this needs to be syphoned off as a separate policy]

6.3 Other Activities on Site

We will continue to liaise with Christ Church, who meet in our school building on Sundays, to make any adjustments necessary for enhanced cleaning.

6.4 Safeguarding

We will review our Safeguarding Policy to make sure it reflects the local restrictions and remains effective.

We will have a trained DSL or deputy DSL on site when pupils are present. If this is not possible on rare occasions, a senior leader will take responsibility for co-ordinating safeguarding on site, in consultation with a member of the safeguarding team.

The DSL will continue in her role as online safeguarding lead for remote learning and will have support from the wider Safeguarding team including the headteacher and principal.

Mitigations

- Hand Hygiene: In the morning upon entry to school, before and after eating
- Ventilation: In classrooms/ staff room/offices to create a flow of air (doors and windows, with short bursts of opening in cold weather)
- Additional air purifiers for smaller areas of heavy use (T9 and Upper School lunchroom)
- Wiping of frequently touched surfaces
- Masks in crowded areas if recommended