

Lydiard Park Academy

Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan – September 2021

When should my child self-isolate?	NO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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-19 Instead, they will need to book a PCR test but can continue coming into school as long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.
	YES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and book a PCR test. NOT a Lateral Flow test. If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and should book 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	No Covid measures are necessary beyond: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 to book a PCR test). Staff will continue to test themselves using lateral flow tests until the end of September.
Rapidly Rising Community Transmission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but... Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to local schools. Swindon Public Health/Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/national infection wave. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ventilation of classrooms increased. Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced. Staff Room capacity is reduced. Whole-school assemblies are replaced with Key Stage assemblies Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Line-managers to review their individual risk assessment and discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/groups)

Number of cases	Description	Actions
A single child tests positive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A single child tests positive for Covid in a class. • There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group. • No other year group is affected. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it. • 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 and 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.
<p>5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>3 children or staff in a single Class/Club within 10 days</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above for each positive case. • The school will discuss the outbreak with Public Health and agree a strengthening of protective measures for 10 school days, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Re-introducing staff face masks for corridors and communal areas. ○ Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances. ○ Reverting to on-line assemblies. ○ Resuming twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing.
Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 spread widely throughout the school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incident Management Team meeting held between school and Public Health England to agree further measures, for a further 10 school days, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Re-introducing year bubbles for lessons and social times. ○ Limiting all non-essential visitors to the school. ○ Postponing all non-essential events. ○ Re-introducing remote learning for year groups for 10 school days considered.