





Brindle Gregson Lane Primary School

Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan – Jan. 2021

<p>When should my child self-isolate or miss school?</p> 	<div>  <p>NO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All children MUST attend school unless they are ill. • Children and adults who are identified as close contacts of someone with COVID-19 – whether Omicron or not – should take an LFD test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. • Children can continue coming to school so long as they are not displaying symptoms and the result is negative. </div> <div>  <p>YES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at 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. • <u>If your child tests positive for Covid, they may now take LFD tests on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period.</u> Those who receive two negative test results are no longer required to complete 10 full days of self-isolation. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period and tests must be taken 24 hours apart. If both these test results are negative, and they do not have a high temperature, self-isolation can end after the second negative test result and return to school <u>from day 8.</u> </div>
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Community Covid Risk	Description	Actions
 <p>Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.</p>	<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. 	<p>No Covid measures are necessary beyond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminding children of good hand-hygiene. • Ensuring good ventilation is encouraged where practical. • Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test). • Bubbles are not required. • Children can mix at playtimes and lunchtimes. • Staff and visitors must wear face in communal areas • We encourage our school community to conduct LFT's twice weekly. • Any visitors to school must take a lateral flow test prior to coming in the building.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced. • Staff-room capacity is reduced.



Rapidly Rising Community Transmission

- Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.
- Lancashire Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave.
- Whole-school face to face assemblies are replaced with virtual assemblies.
- Extremely clinically vulnerable staff/parents of children who are extremely clinically vulnerable, meet with the Headteacher to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (, reduction in movement between classes/ groups).

Number of Cases:

Description:

Actions:



A single child tests Positive

- A single child tests positive for Covid in a class.
- There are fewer than 3 cases in the year group.
- 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.
- 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 at 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.**



3 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.

OR

3 children or staff in a Club within 10 days.

- 10% of the class who have tested positive for Covid 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 Lancashire Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures for 10 school days, including:
 - Re-introducing staff face masks for corridors & communal areas.
 - Adapting, Limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.
 - Reverting to video-link Assemblies in classrooms.
 - Reducing the amount of classes staff work across.
 - **Cleaning surfaces after every session.**
 - Resuming twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing.
 - **Class bubbles to have separate break times.**



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 Lancashire Public Health to agree further measures, for a further 10 school days, including:
 - Re-introducing class bubbles.
 - Reverting to class-based school lunches/playtimes.
 - Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.
 - Postponing all non-essential events.
 - **Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered.**

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