Morningside Primary School

Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan – September 2021

Community Covid Risk	Description	Actions & Additional considerations	Education provided	Communication to parents, carers & staff
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. 	 No Covid measures are necessary beyond: Reminding children of good hand-hygiene Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical Cleaning high touch points throughout day 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 Encourage families to LFT twice weekly 	All children in school receiving face to face learning. All interventions in place. Full curriculum being delivered.	Letter sent to parents about measures we have in place. Parents encouraged to test twice weekly using LFT.
Rapidly Rising Community Transmission	 No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools. Hackney Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave. 	 Ventilation of classrooms increased & hand-washing supervised. Increased cleaning of high touch points Staff-room capacity is reduced. Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with HT to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (e.g. reduction in movement between classes/ groups). Class tables to be returned to front facing, partners to share resources Shared resources such as computer keypads to be cleaned down after each use All staff to increase testing using lateral flow tests. 	All children in school receiving face to face learning. All interventions in place. Full curriculum being delivered.	Communication to parents about signs and symptoms, isolation advice and testing, to support prompt isolation of suspected cases.

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A single child tests Positive

- A single child tests positive for Covid in a class.
- There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group.
- No other year groups are affected.

- The child self-isolates for 10 days.
- 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.
- 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.
- Identify whether any activities could take place outdoors
 - ways to improve ventilation indoors, where this would not significantly impact thermal comfort
- One-off enhanced cleaning focussing on touch points and any shared equipment in the child's classroom
- If the child is isolating the school will provide a free school meal if the child is entitled to one
- Notify Hackney Borough about positive case via online portal

High-quality remote learning for child isolating at home via google classrooms, if they are well enough to complete.

Pastoral team to call child each day to check in and feedback on learning. Letter to parents of children who have been close contacts to infected child. All parents asked to book children in for a PCR test and to test daily using LFT.

SLT to speak with all staff who have been in contact with infected child.



5 children or staff within a year group

There have been 5
cases of Covid across a
year group within 10
days or 10% of
children, pupils,
students or staff who
are likely to have mixed
closely test positive for

- As above for each positive case.
- Notify Hackney Borough about positive case via online portal
- The school will discuss the outbreak with Hackney Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures for 10 school days, including:

High-quality remote learning for child isolating at home via google classrooms, if they are well enough to complete.

Pastoral team to call child each day to check

Strengthened communications to encourage parents to undertake twice weekly rapid asymptomatic home testing

Inform parents of any Covid measure changes via text, email & website

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test positive within 10 days of each other. OR 3 staff in a single Class within 10 days.	COVID-19 within a 10 day period	 Adapting, Limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances. Reverting to Zoom assemblies in classrooms. Class tables to be returned to front facing, partners to share resources Review shared equipment and reduce number of children using Temporarily reinstating face coverings for staff and visitors in indoor and/or communal spaces Possible year group closure 	in and feedback on learning.	
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 Hackney Public Health to agree further measures, for a further 10 school days, including: Re-introducing class bubbles. 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 per school policy. Shielding would be considered in addition to other measures to address the residual risk to people on the SPL, once the wider interventions are taken into account. 	High-quality remote learning for any child at home as per our home learning policy.	Inform parents of any Covid measure changes via text, email & website

Seek public health advice if a pupil, student, child or staff member is admitted to hospital with COVID-19 by phoning the DfE helpline (0800 046 8687, option 1)