

Fieldhead Carr Primary

COVID Outbreak Contingency Plan - Sept. 2021

When should my child self-isolate or miss school?



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.
- Instead, they will need to book a PRC test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.





- If your child develops COVID symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PRC test), NOT a Lateral Flow test.
- If your child develops COVID symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PRC 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 PRC 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.

No COVID measures are necessary beyond:

- 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- returning once a negative PCR test result is secured)
- Staff to wear masks in the transition spaces in school



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.
- Leeds Public
 Health / Public
 Health England
 issue warnings
 of expected
 local/ national
 infection wave.

- Staff to wear masks in transition spaces and when working in close contact with children to wear visors
- LFT testing re-introduced for staff twice weekly
- Ventilation of classrooms increased & hand-washing supervised.
- Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced.
- Staff advised to use Staff room spaces carefully, accessing outdoor staff space where staff room is very busy
- 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)
- Discuss with Leeds Public Health re: need vs impact of reverting to staggered lunchtimes.
- Parents requested to wear masks at pick up and drop off times

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.

- Let school know!
- The child who has tested positive self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it as outlined on the website isolation work pack are sent home on first day of isolation. Seesaw used for submission of work & teacher will respond daily https://fieldheadcarr.leeds.sch.uk/fhc-online-learning-
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- 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 PRC Test.

Important things to note if your child tests positive:

- The school will contact parents in the wider class involved to make them aware to be mindful of symptoms
- Children in the class continue to come to school as normal unless they develop symptoms (if symptoms occur then the family follows the instruction above)
- Note: double jabbed parents do not need to isolate when there child tests positive if their PCR test is negative.

• Note: Siblings may return to school if they have a negative PCR test and no 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 Leeds Public Health / Public Health England and agree strengthening protective measures for 10 school days, including:
 - o Adapting, Limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.
 - o Reverting to zoom Assemblies.
 - o Reducing the amount of classes staff work across.
 - o 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 Leeds Public Health to agree further measures, for a further 10 school days, including:
 - o Re-introducing class bubbles.
 - o Reverting to class-based school lunches.
 - o Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.
 - o Postponing all non-essential events.
 - Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered, as outlined on the school website.

https://fieldheadcarr.leeds.sch.uk/fhc-online-learning-offer/

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