











**Covid-19 Outbreak Contingency Plan – September 2021**

<p><b>When should my child self-isolate or miss school?</b></p> 	 <b>NO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All children <b>MUST</b> attend school unless they are ill.</li> <li>• From 16<sup>th</sup> 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</li> <li>• Instead, they are strongly advised to book a PCR test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.</li> </ul>
	 <b>YES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at home</u> and should book a PCR test), <b>NOT</b> a Lateral Flow test.</li> <li>• If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PRC test.</li> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>

Community Covid Risk	Description	Actions
 <p><b>Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school days.</li> <li>• Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable.</li> <li>• Hospitalisation/ deaths due to Covid nationally are low.</li> </ul>	<p>No Covid measures are necessary beyond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reminding children of good hand-hygiene.</li> <li>• Ensuring good ventilation where practical.</li> <li>• Ensuring children / staff stay at home if they have Covid symptoms (and to book a PCR test).</li> </ul> <p>Staff will continue to test themselves using lateral flow tests until the end of September.</p>
 <p><b>Rapidly Rising Community Transmission</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but...</li> <li>• Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.</li> <li>• Oldham Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ventilation of classrooms increased &amp; hand-washing supervised.</li> <li>• Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced.</li> <li>• Staff-room capacity is reduced.</li> <li>• Whole-school assemblies are replaced with Key Stage assemblies.</li> <li>• Clinically vulnerable staff meet with line-managers to review their individual risk assessment &amp; discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/ groups).</li> </ul>



Number of cases	Description	Actions
 <p><b>A single child tests Positive</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A single child tests positive for Covid in a class.</li><li>• There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group.</li><li>• No other year groups are affected.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it as outlined on the school website.</li><li>• The parents of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts.</li><li>• Likely contacts will be contacted by NHS Track &amp; Trace and advised to book a PCR test. The school will contact parents to advise this if close contacts are known (warn &amp; inform letter)</li><li>• <b>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.</b></li></ul>
 <p><b>5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.</b></p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p><b>3 children or staff in a single class/ club within 10 days of each other.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 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.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>As above for each positive case.</b></li><li>• The school will discuss the outbreak with Oldham Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures <u>for 10 school days</u>, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.</li><li>○ Reverting to video-link assemblies in classrooms.</li><li>○ Reducing the amount of classes staff work across.</li><li>○ Resuming twice-weekly staff lateral flow testing.</li></ul></li></ul>
 <p><b>Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 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.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and Oldham Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10 school days</u>, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Re-introducing class bubbles.</li><li>○ Reverting to class-based school lunches.</li><li>○ Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.</li><li>○ Postponing all non-essential events.</li><li>○ <b>Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered.</b></li></ul></li></ul>

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