Learning Trust

Coronavirus risk assessment 2022

| Assessment conducted by: PE | Job title: Headteacher | Covered by this assessment: staff, students, <br> governors, parents, volunteers and visitors. |
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| Date of assessment 08.03.2022 | Review interval: As required | Date of next review: TBA |

## Related documents

III Health and Infectious Disease Risk Assessment, First Aid Policy, Business Continuity Plan, Supporting Students with Medical Conditions Policy, Health \& Safety Policy, Information Sharing Policy, GDPR \& Data protection Policy, Information \& ICT Security Policy, Behavioural Policy, Staff Code of Conduct \& Data Security Breach Prevention and Management Plan

| Risk rating |  | Likelihood of occurrence |  |  |
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| Likely impact | Probable | Possible | Remote |  |
|  | Major <br> Causes major physical injury, harm or <br> ill-health. | Medium (M) | (M) | Medium (M) |
|  | Severe <br> Causes physical injury or illness <br> requiring first aid. | M | (M) |  |
| Minor <br> Causes physical or emotional <br> discomfort. | H | M | M |  |

## Effective infection protection and contro

There are important actions that children and young people, their parents and those who work with them can take during the coronavirus outbreak, to help prevent the spread of the virus.

In all education, childcare and social care settings, preventing the spread of coronavirus involves dealing with direct transmission (for instance, when in close contact with those sneezing and coughing) and indirect transmission (via touching contaminated surfaces). A range of approaches and actions should be employed to do this. These can be seen as a hierarchy of controls that, when implemented, creates an inherently safer system, where the risk of transmission of infection is substantially reduced. These include.

1. Minimising contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend childcare settings, schools, or colleges
2. Cleaning hands more often than usual - wash hands thoroughly for 20 seconds with running water and soap and dry them thoroughly or use alcohol hand rub or sanitiser ensuring that all parts of the hands are covered
3. Ensuring good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach
4. Cleaning frequently touched surfaces often using standard products, such as detergents and bleach

The above can be summarised in the following 4 points of control as set out by HM govt. August 2021

1. Ensure good hygiene for everyone.
2. Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes.
3. Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.
4. Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19
N.B. Risk ratings before actions will alter dependent on the local/ regional prevalence and transmission rate of COVID-19, the school will remain in contact with the local outbreak team and have ready a contingency framework in the event of an outbreak.

The following risk assessment seeks to implement the above measures outlined by HM government to reduce the risk of transmission and contact with SARS-COVID 19. It represents a working document to be reviewed and amended in line with the latest information and changes to ensure best practice.

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|  |  |  |  | - Review COSHH assessment for hand sanitiser and cleaning materials. |  | GF(GF no longer on site, where <br> GF indicated PE to delegate and monitor) |  |
|  |  |  |  | - Review cleaning schedules. | 04/01/2022 | NP/PE |  |
|  |  |  |  | - Signage used to promote hygiene (respiratory and hand) and social distancing. Signage replaced to make more visible | $\begin{gathered} 02.11 .2020 \\ 06.01 .2021 \\ 26 / 04 / 2021 \\ 04 / 01 / 22 \\ 08 / 03 / 22 \end{gathered}$ | (PE/ office staff) |  |
|  |  |  |  | - Review stocks of soap, hand sanitiser, tissues around school regularly. | Ongoing | NP |  |


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|  |  |  | - Remote learning in place for students who are clinically vulnerable/ living with those at risk or self-isolating accessible via shared area. <br> - Safe ventilation of classrooms with windows open promoted with staff (04/01/22, 28/02/22) | - Clean pupil's workstations and equipment between activities and wash hands. <br> - Individual risk assessment carried out for students whose behaviour may be considered to pose additional risk. PE | Ongoing | Teaching staff <br> PE |  |
|  | Site related transmission may occur: <br> Through close contact between colleagues, students and visitors and | M | - Entry/exit points and routes in buildings are communicated appropriately to staff and students. PE <br> - Organising classrooms and other rooms used for learning to maintain space between seats and desks, pupils not to face each other where possible and $2 m$ between teacher workstation and pupils or a screen in place. PE/MW <br> - Thorough cleaning of rooms at end of the day and disposal of cleaning related waste. <br> - Ventilation in the building maximised by | - Review fire safety procedures to ensure that any measures put in place do not compromise evacuation routes. | 01/09/21 <br> Practice drill carried out 22/10/2020 <br> Drill carried out 02/03/2022 | WH/GF/PE | M |
|  |  |  |  | - Ensure student groups and social distancing maintained during fire drills. NOTE: in an emergency social distancing may not apply. | Ongoing | PE/SLT |  |



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|  |  |  |  | site to minimise numbers on site at any one time. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | - Inform parents of arrangements for student arrival and departure. Parents made aware of amended day structure. | 01/09/21 | PE |  |
|  |  |  |  | - Mark out routes. <br> - Seating areas for year groups marked in Fulmar | $\begin{aligned} & 08 / 06 / 20 \\ & 04 / 11 / 20 \end{aligned}$ | GF/PE |  |


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| Exposure to COVID-19 | Staff and casualty. Transmission may occur when providing First Aid | M | perform mouth-to-mouth ventilation, use a resuscitation face shield where | - Review assessment of First Aid needs. Check trained staff, order supplies | Ongoing | PE | $\underline{M}$ |
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| there to surfaces. It can survive on surfaces for a period after transfer (depending on such things as the surface type, its moisture content and temperature). |  |  | available. <br> First Aiders <br> N.B. Resuscitation Council UK Statement: It is likely that a child having an out-ofhospital cardiac arrest will be known to you. We accept that doing rescue breaths will increase the risk of transmitting the COVID19 virus, either to the rescuer or the child. However, this risk is small compared to the risk of taking no action as this will result in certain cardiac arrest and the death of the child. | - Maintain stocks of PPE. | Ongoing |  |  |
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| Awareness of policies and procedures in response to COVID-19. | Staff, parents/ carers, students, contractors. | M | - All staff, students, parents, governors, visitors and volunteers are aware of all relevant policies and procedures including, but not limited to, the following: <br> Health and Safety Policy III Health \& Infectious Disease <br> Risk Assessment <br> First Aid Policy <br> - All staff have regard to all relevant guidance and legislation including, but not limited to, the following: <br> The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences <br> Regulations (RIDDOR) 2013 <br> The Health Protection (Notification) <br> Regulations 2010 <br> Public Health England (PHE) (2017) <br> 'Health protection in schools and other childcare facilities' <br> DfE and PHE (2020) 'COVID-19: guidance for educational settings' PE <br> - Staff have any necessary training to help minimise the spread of infection, e.g. infection control training. PE/TE <br> - The school keeps up-to-date with advice issued by, but not limited to: |  | 01/09/21 | PE | M |


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|  |  |  | - Department for Education <br> NHS <br> - Department for Health and Social Care <br> - PHE <br> - The local health protection team (HPT) <br> - The Talentum Learning Trust (TTLT) PE <br> - Staff are made aware of the school's infection control procedures in relation to coronavirus via email and contact the school as soon as possible if they believe they may have been exposed to coronavirus. PE <br> - Parents are made aware of the school's infection control procedures in relation to coronavirus via letter and social media - they are informed that they must contact the school as soon as possible if they believe their child has been exposed to coronavirus. PE <br> - Students are made aware of the school's infection control procedures in relation to coronavirus via a virtual assembly and tutors. They are informed that they must tell a member of staff if | Ongoing | Ongoing | PE | M |



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|  |  |  | procedures as necessary. PE | Ongoing | Ongoing | PE | L |
| Disruption to the running of the school |  |  | - The school adheres to and keeps up-todate with the latest local and national advice about infection control and protocols- advice is sought from the local HPT or DfE helpline where required. PE | Ongoing | Ongoing | PE | L |
| Preparing for a school closure |  |  | - The school communicates with parents as soon as possible about a closure and the cancellation of any trips or extra-curricular activities. PE <br> - Students are informed about the school closure and what is expected of them should they need to work from home. SLT <br> - The headteacher puts a plan in place to manage staff workload in preparation for a school closure. PE <br> - The headteacher puts a plan in place for students' continued education during a school closure to ensure there is minimal | Ongoing | Ongoing | PE | L |


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|  |  |  | disruption to students' learning - this includes a plan to monitor students' learning while not in school. PE <br> - The Behaviour Policy and Staff Code of Conduct are adhered to at all times, even while working remotely. PE <br> - Communication lines are kept open between staff during a school closure staff know to report to their line manager if there is an issue. Line Managers <br> - The Headteacher ensures all students have access to school work and the necessary reading materials at home, prior to a school closure. PE <br> - The headteacher works with the IT technicians to ensure that all technology used is accessible to all students alternative arrangements are put in place where required. PE/WH <br> - The Headteacher liaises with the relevant organisations to ensure adequate provision is in place for all students to be able to work from home, e.g. learning support. PE <br> - The school is deep cleaned in the event | Ongoing | Ongoing | PE/Line Managers/ WH | L |


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|  |  |  | there is a COVID related school closure. GF/TE <br> - The school manages the use of parents/carers' and students' contact details in line with the GDPR Policy e.g. collecting emails to send work to students. PE/WH |  |  |  |  |
| Partial closure preparation |  |  | - In event of the school being informed of a confirmed case within a year group. <br> - SLT to contact Public Health England <br> - Movement of pupils around school of pupils to be limited until year group dismissed. SLT <br> - Parents to be contacted to inform of partial closure details and pupils to be dismissed in line with parent's prearranged wishes PE <br> - Pupils to be dismissed from their classes to go straight home either via walking or parental pick up. SLT/STAFF <br> - Pupils must not go home on busses or public transport or mix with other year groups. <br> - Individual staff in contact with student consulted with on their level of risk in | Parents to be contacted to communicate their preferences re. collecting pupils in the event of a partial closure | October 2020 but in place in the event of future partial closures | SLT <br> PE <br> SLT / Staff | L |




