

Coronavirus (COVID-19): Risk Assessment for Full opening of schools UPDATED 5 th November 2020 for <u>CAPTAIN WEBB PRIMARY SCHOOL</u>								
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Date of assessment: 13/11/2020	Date of next review: When required	This document was written on 05.11.2020 and you must ensure you are completing the newest format						

The sole purpose of this risk assessment is to support schools for all pupils in all year groups whilst at school, to <u>reduce the risk of coronavirus</u> transmission

- For the purpose of this risk assessment, the term 'coronavirus' to refer to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).
- Schools must ensure that this risk assessment reflects the local setting and context of the school.
- Staff and unions must be consulted with regard to this risk assessment.
- This risk assessment is not exhaustive and some of the controls will be dynamic. This is issued to schools as a template to assist in the production of a comprehensive document that covers the particular circumstance of the setting as such, the risks and risk controls should be deleted/ amended/ added-to to reflect the school.
- This should be viewed alongside relevant advice and guidance from the Department of Education and reflect any additional subsequent guidance issued to schools.
- When implemented in line with a revised risk assessment, these measures create an inherently safer environment for children and staff where the risk of transmission of infection is substantially reduced.

THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH:

THE RISK ASSESSMENT ACTION PLAN FOR FULL OPENING OF SCHOOLS FROM THE BEGINNING OF AUTUMN TERM (UPDATED 2/10/20)

Key:							
Level of risk prior to	lo	dentifies the risk before any steps to reduce the risk have bee	n taken				
control							
Risk Description:		Outlines the area of concern.					
Risk Controls:		he measures that will be taken to minimise the risk.					
Impact:		could be L/M/H					
Likelihood:		Could be L/M/H					
Responsible person): I	he identified staff member(s) responsible for implementing the	e risk cor	ntrois			
	Н	lead Teacher Sign	Da	te			
Chair of Governors sign							
Completion Date:	Т	he date by which required plans for controls will be in place					
Line Manager Chec		ign off to ensure that the risk has been minimised as far as p	ossible.				
Risk	Level	Risk Controls	Level	Likelihood	Responsible	Planned	Line
Description/Area of Concern	of risk prior to contro <>		of risk is now <>	<>	person	completion Date/Review Date	Manager Check
The school lapses in following national guidelines and advice, putting everyone at risk	Н	Follow Master Risk Assessment for Return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	S Passey Admin Staff	5/11/20	S Passey
Poor communication with parents and other stakeholders	М	Follow Master Risk Assessment for Return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective	L	L	S Passey	5/11/20	S Passey
Lack of awareness of policies and procedures	Н	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	S Passey SBM	5/11/20	S Passey
Extremely clinically vulnerable (Higher risk) individuals	Н	Individual risk assessment to be completed for staff in high risk category exposure to Coronavirus	L	М	S Passey	5/11/20	

		Over this period of lock down, we are advising the clinically extremely vulnerable to work from home. If you cannot work from home, you are advised not to go to work See further guidance and risk assessment for individuals that are at higher risk due to COVID People who live with those who are clinically extremely vulnerable can attend the workplace unless advised otherwise by an individual letter from the NHS or a specialist doctor.					
Clinically Vulnerable staff	M	 Individual risk assessment to be completed for vulnerable staff and pupils protective measures will be put in place for staff and pupils, as far as is possible, to ensure that the risk of transmission is reduced Clinically vulnerable staff can attend school. While in school they should follow the sector-specific measures in this document to minimise the risks of transmission. This includes taking particular care to observe good hand and respiratory hygiene, minimising contact and maintaining social distancing in line with the provisions set out in section 6 of the 'prevention' section of this guidance. This provides that ideally, adults should maintain 2 metre distance from others, and where this is not possible avoid close face to face contact and minimise time spent within 1 metre of others. While the risk of transmission between young children and adults is likely to be low, adults should continue to take care to socially distance from other adults including older children and adolescents. 	L	L	S Passey	5/11/20	

		People who live with those who are clinically vulnerable can attend the workplace unless advised otherwise by an individual letter from the NHS or a specialist doctor. See further guidance and risk assessment for individuals that are at higher risk due to COVID					
Poor hygiene practice in school - General	Н	 Follow master Risk Assessment: for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective. Pupils and staff to wash hands on entry to school The 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach continues to be very important, so schools must ensure that they have enough tissues and bins available in the school to support pupils and staff to follow this routine Follow the new updated cleaning guidance for educational settings (in place 5/11/20) 	L	M	All Staff	5/11/20	S Passey
Hand Hygiene	Н	Coronavirus (COVID-19) is an easy virus to kill when it is on skin. This can be done with soap and running water or hand sanitiser. Schools must ensure that pupils clean their hands regularly, including: • when they arrive at school, • when they return from breaks, • when they change rooms • before and after eating. Regular and thorough hand cleaning is going to be needed for the foreseeable future. Points to consider and implement:	L	M	All Staff	5/11/20	S Passey

		 whether the school has enough hand washing or hand sanitiser 'stations' available so that all pupils and staff can clean their hands regularly supervision of hand sanitiser use given risks around ingestion. Small children and pupils with complex needs should continue to be helped to clean their hands properly. Skin friendly skin cleaning wipes can be used as an alternative building these routines into school culture, supported by behaviour expectations and helping ensure younger children and those with complex needs understand the need to follow them Follow the new updated cleaning guidance for educational settings (in place 5/11/20) 					
Poor hygiene practice – specific – school entrance	M	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective. Follow the new updated cleaning guidance (in place 5/11/20)	L	L	Receptionist	5/11/20	S Passey
Poor hygiene practice – specific – office spaces.	L	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective. Follow the new updated cleaning guidance (in place 5/11/20)	L	L	SBM	5/11/20	S Passey
System of Controls - Prevention	Н	 Minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school Where recommended, the use of face coverings in schools. See face masks and face coverings guidance clean hands thoroughly more often than usual 	L	L	SBM	5/11/20	S Passey

see cleaning and hand hygiene guidance	
4) ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach	
see cleaning and hand hygiene guidance	
5) introduce enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often, using standard products such as detergents and bleach	
see cleaning and hand hygiene guidance	
6) minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible	
see social distancing guidance	
7) where necessary, wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE)	
See PPE guidance, provision table and forms	
8) Always keeping occupied spaces well ventilated	
See Ventilation guidance	
Numbers 1 to 5, and number 8 must be in place in all schools, all the time.	
Number 6 must be properly considered and schools must put in place measures that suit their particular circumstances.	
Number 7 applies in specific circumstances.	

System of Control - Responsive	Н	See details of actions here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions- for-schools-during-the-coronavirus- outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools#school- workforce 9) Engage with the Health Protection Hub at Telford & Wrekin Following the process that has been provided to schools and use the notification form provided to advise of any confirmed or suspected cases of staff or pupils within the school 10) manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) amongst the school community 11) contain any outbreak by following health protection hub and PHE advice Numbers 9 to 11 must be followed in every case where they are relevant See details of actions here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions- for-schools-during-the-coronavirus- outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools#school- workforce	L	L	SBM	5/11/20	S Passey
Poor hygiene practice – specific - spread of potential infection at the start of the school day.	Н	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	Teachers (Dojo) Office Staff SLT	5/11/20	S Passey

Poor hygiene practice – specific – toilet/changing facilities.	Н	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	M	All Nursery Staff	5/11/20	S Passey
Poor hygiene practice – specific - end of the school day.	Н	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	Teachers (Dojo) Office Staff SLT	5/11/20	S Passey
Ill health in school.	H	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective. Staff are informed of the symptoms of possible coronavirus infection, A high temperature – this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back (they do not need to measure their temperature A new continuous dry cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual) A change to their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia) Children may also display gastrointestinal symptoms and you should follow advice on the flow chart provided by the Health Protection Hub They must be sent home and advised to follow 'stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection', which sets out that they must self-isolate for at least 7 days and should arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19). Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had	L	M	All Staff Colleague	5/11/20	S Passey

		symptoms. Complete the school notification form and send to HealthProtectionHub@telford.gov.uk • Engage with the NHS Test and Trace process. • Manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) amongst the school community. • Contain any outbreak by following local health protection team advice. These points must be followed in every case where they are relevant					
Poor management of pupil numbers reduces the ability of pupils and staff to practice social distancing.	Н	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective. Schools must do everything possible to minimise contacts and mixing while delivering a broad and balanced curriculum. The overarching principle to apply is reducing the number of contacts between children and staff. This can be achieved through keeping groups separate (in 'bubbles') and through maintaining distance between individuals. These are not alternative options and both measures will help, but the balance between them will change depending on: • children's ability to distance • the lay out of the school • the feasibility of keeping distinct groups separate while offering a broad curriculum (especially at secondary) It is likely that for younger children the emphasis will be on separating groups and for older children, it will be on distancing. For children old enough, they should also be	L	L	SLT	Ongoing	S Passey

Mental Health and Wellbeing for pupils	M	supported to maintain distance and not touch staff where possible. Points to consider How to group children Measures within classrooms Measures elsewhere Measures for arriving and leaving school See details of actions here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools#school-workforce Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective. The government has recently launched the Wellbeing for Education Return programme, which will provide training and resources for teachers and staff in all state-funded schools to respond to the wellbeing and mental health needs of children and young people as a result of coronavirus (COVID-19). The training provides practical examples to support staff, children and young people within a school. Local authorities have received funding to employ skilled staff to deliver the training to schools and provide ongoing advice and support from the autumn until March 2021.	L	L	DSLs SENCO Teachers	5/11/20	S Passey
A pupil is tested and has a confirmed case of coronavirus.	Н	In line with government advice:	М	M	S Passey Support by SLT	1/9/20	S Passey

		Schools must take swift action when they become aware that someone who has attended has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19). Follow guidance from the Test and Trace team in the Health Protection Hub Based on their advice, schools must send home those people who have been in close contact with the person who has tested positive, advising them to self-isolate for 14 days since they were last in close contact with that person when they were infectious. Close contact means: • direct close contacts - face to face contact with an infected individual for any length of time, within 1 metre, including being coughed on, a face to face conversation, or unprotected physical contact (skin-to-skin) • proximity contacts - extended close contact (within 1 to 2 metres for more than 15 minutes) with an infected individual • travelling in a small vehicle, like a car, with an infected person They will provide definitive advice on who must be sent home. To support them in doing so, we recommend schools keep a record of pupils and staff in each group, and any close contact that takes places between children					
		and any close contact that takes places between children and staff in different groups					
Insufficient staff to run face-to-face sessions for pupils. Supply teachers and temporary staff	Н	Minimise contact with staff and pupils Maintain social distancing Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective	L	L	SLT	5/11/20	S Passey

Pupil movement between lesson, at breaktime and lunchtime increases the risk of infection.	Н	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	SLT	1/9/20	S Passey
Spread of infection in classrooms/shared areas.	M	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective. Bubbles can be up to the size of a class or where possible try to keep the bubbles as small as practicable. Seat pupils side by side, not face to face or side on Stagger movement around classroom Staff to maintain social distancing Individual equipment such as pens and pencils allocated for each pupil Allocate items such as books/toys to bubbles, to avoid mix use Shared equipment such as PE, art, science etc should be cleaned in between use and where possible isolated for 48-72 hours Ideally, adults should maintain 2 metre distance from each other, and from children. This may not always be possible with younger children or children with complex needs Secondary teachers will need to move between classes and year groups, they should try and keep their distance from pupils and other staff as much as they can When staff or children cannot maintain distancing, particularly with younger children in primary schools, the risk can also be reduced by keeping pupils in the smaller, class-sized groups	L	L	All Staff	1/9/20	S Passey

	 make small adaptations to the classroom including seating pupils side by side and facing forwards, rather than face to face or side on, and might include moving unnecessary furniture out of classrooms to make more space avoid large gatherings such as assemblies adapt timetables to avoid creating busy corridors Follow the new updated cleaning guidance 					
Music Lessons F		L	L	All Staff	5/11/20	S Passey

		and players, and any other people such as conductors, other musicians, or accompanists. Current guidance is that if the activity is face-to-face and without mitigating actions, 2 metres is appropriate. Seating positions Pupils should be positioned back-to-back or side-to-side when playing or singing (rather than face-to-face) whenever possible. Position wind and brass players so that the air from their instrument does not blow into another player. Microphones Use microphones where possible or encourage singing quietly Handling Equipment and instruments Measures to be considered when handling equipment,					
		 instruments; Handwashing – increase before and after handling Avoiding sharing of instruments – Place name labels on equipment to help identify the designated user. If instruments and equipment have to be shared, disinfect regularly (including any cases, handles, props, chairs and music stands) and always between users. Music scores, parts and scripts should be individual use 					
Physical Activities	M	Outdoor sports should be prioritised where possible, and large indoor spaces used where it is not, maximising natural ventilation flows (through opening windows and doors or using air conditioning systems wherever possible) distancing between pupils any paying scrupulous attention to cleaning and hygiene	L	L	All Staff	5/11/20	S Passey

		Quidance on the phased return of sport and recreation and guidance from Sport England for grassroot sport advice from organisations such as the Association for Physical Education and the Youth Sport Trust guidance from Swim England on school swimming and water safety lessons available at returning to pools guidance documents using changing rooms safely					
Breakfast club/After school provisions	M	Schools should be working to resume any breakfast and after school provisions. If external wraparound provider the school should be working closely with them, to ensure as far as possible, children can be kept in a group with other children from the same bubble they are in during the school day Where this is not possible, or it is impractical to group children in the same bubbles as in the school day, they should keep children in small consistent groups with the same children each time, as far as possible Schools can consult the guidance produced for providers who run community activities, holiday clubs, after-school clubs, tuition and other out-of-school provision for children,	L	L	All Staff	5/11/20	S Passey
Poor pupil behaviour increases the risk of the spread of the infection.	M	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	LM LM Assistant Teachers	5/11/20	S Passey
Pupils with complex needs are not adequately	M	Where a pupil is unable to attend school because they are complying with clinical and/or public health	L	L	Senco	5/11/20	S Passey

prepared for a return to school or safely supported.		advice, we expect schools to be able to immediately offer them access to remote education. Schools should monitor engagement with this activity					
Vulnerable pupils and pupils with SEND do not receive appropriate support.	M	 Appropriate planning is in place to support the mental health of pupils returning to school Agree what returning support is available to pupils with SEND in conjunction with families and other agencies. As a result, pupils with SEND and those concerned about	L	L	Senco LM LM Assistant	5/11/20	S Passey
Increased number of safeguarding concerns reported after lockdown.	M	returning to school are well supported. Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	S Passey DSL's	5/11/20	S Passey
Emergency evacuation due to fire etc.	M	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	SBM	5/11/20	S Passey
Cleaning is not sufficiently comprehensive.	Н	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective. Follow the new updated cleaning guidance Introduce enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often using standard products, such as detergents and bleach. Points to consider and implement: • putting in place a cleaning schedule that ensures cleaning is generally enhanced and includes: • more frequent cleaning of rooms / shared areas that are used by different groups • frequently touched surfaces being cleaned more often than normal • different groups don't need to be allocated their own	L	L	S Passey TA's	5/11/20	S Passey
		toilet blocks, but toilets will need to be allocated their own toilet blocks, but toilets will need to be cleaned regularly and pupils must be encouraged to clean their hands thoroughly after using the toilet					

		By the end of the summer term, Public Health England will publish revised guidance for cleaning non-healthcare settings to advice on general cleaning required in addition to the current advice on COVID-19 : cleaning of non-healthcare settings guidance.					
Contractors, deliveries and visitors increase the risk of infection.	М	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	Receptionist Administrator	1/9/20	SBM
Professional Visitors	M	Follow Master Risk Assessment for return to school – phase one and review all controls you previously applied to ensure they are still effective.	L	L	S Passey Receptionist	1/9/20	S Passey
Transport	M	The approach to dedicated transport should align wherever possible with the principles underpinning the system of controls set out in this document and with the approach being adopted for your school. It is important, wherever it is possible, that: • social distancing should be maximised within vehicles • children either sit with their 'bubble' on school transport, or with the same constant group of children each day • children should clean their hands before boarding transport and again on disembarking • additional cleaning of vehicles is put in place • organised queuing and boarding is put in place • through ventilation, fresh air (from outside the vehicle) is maximised, particularly through opening windows	L	L	All Staff	5/11/20	S Passey

		Children must not board home to school transport if they, or a member of their household, has symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19).					
Educational Visits	M	It is advised against any domestic (UK) overnight and overseas educational visits Things to consider when arranging and completing educational visits • Keeping children within their consistent groups	L	L	S Passey Teachers	5/11/20	S Passey
		 (Bubbles) Destination has COVID-secure measurements in place Aware of current advice on visiting indoor and outdoor venues 					
Hiring of Premise	Н	Schools may also choose to open up or hire out their premises for use by external bodies or organisations, such as external coaches or after-school or holiday clubs or activities. In doing so, schools should ensure they work with providers to consider how they can operate within their wider protective measures and should also have regard to any other relevant government guidance. For example, where opening up school leisure facilities for external use, ensuring they do so in line with government guidance on working safely during coronavirus (COVID-19) for providers of grassroots sport and gym or leisure facilities.	L	L	S Passey	5/11/20	S Passey
Contingency Plans	Н	For individuals or groups of self-isolating pupils, remote education plans should be in place. These should meet the same expectations as those for any pupils who cannot yet attend school at all due to coronavirus	L	L	S Passey Teachers	5/11/20	S Passey

(COVID-19). See the section on <u>remote education</u> <u>support</u> .			
In local areas, where restrictions have been implemented for certain sectors (from national direction), we anticipate that schools will usually remain fully open to all. There is an additional requirement that face coverings should be worn by staff and students, in schools and colleges, from year 7 and above, outside classrooms when moving around communal areas where social distancing cannot easily be maintained.			

School-specific arrangements relating to risk assessment that may need additional detail:

Capacity and organisation of teaching spaces, Staffroom and offices

Arrival to and departure from school, Movement around the school, Pupil expectations

Classroom allocations, Timetable arrangements, Classroom expectations

Role of teaching assistants

Break time plan, Lunchtime plan

Catering staff

Cleaning

Toilets

Transport

- Guidance for full opening of school: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools
- Guidance for full opening: Special schools and other specialist settings: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-full-opening-special-schools-and-other-specialist-settings?utm_source=02a881e2-265a-4b6d-a67d-38470d12440a&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate

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- Action for early years and childcare providers during coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-full-opening-special-schools-and-other-specialist-settings?utm_source=02a881e2-265a-4b6d-a67d-38470d12440a&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate
- Actions for school a during the coronavirus outbreak: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak?utm source=572d62e4-ce85-4056-8338-e87b1cbaf0c5&utm medium=email&utm
 campaign=govuk-notifications&utm
 content=immediate
- Protective measures for holiday or after school clubs and other out of school settings for children during coronavirus:
 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protective-measures-for-holiday-or-after-school-clubs-and-other-out-of-school-settings-for-children-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak?utm_source=4b581021-d798-4565-8fa0-579175be88cb&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate
- Providing free school meals during coronavirus: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-free-school-meals-guidance?utm_source=17707caa-1f12-4a5e-b1dc-611eb591a116&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate