

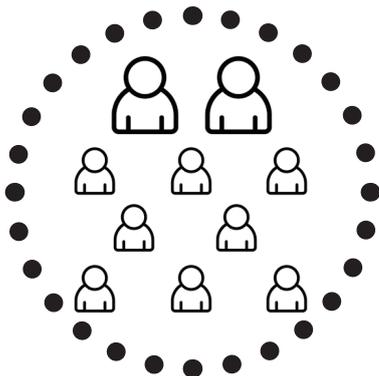
At-a-glance information

Is it safe to return to school?



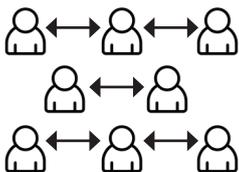
We have carried out risk assessments at all our schools (they are published on our school websites) and these will be continually monitored. Chief Medical Officers from all four nations in the UK have made it clear that the overall risks to children from coronavirus (Covid-19) in relation to education settings is low and that the risks associated with not being in school certainly outweigh those of being in school.

What is a 'bubble' group?



A bubble is a community which will stay together in school. It will usually comprise a teacher and teaching assistant plus a number of pupils. The size and numbers of bubbles will vary – it could be class-wide or it might comprise an entire year group or larger.

How will social distancing work?



Social distancing is not possible with young children but it is with older children and young people. We will minimise risk with a mixture of distancing and bubble groups.

If your child is displaying symptoms, you must not send them to school. Self-isolate, stay at home and arrange a test.

How are you keeping school safe?



We will continually check for any risks and find ways to mitigate them.



If a child or family member is sick, they must not come to school.



Everyone will wash their hands regularly.



School will be cleaned regularly.



The "catch it, bin it, kill it" routine will be established. Sneezes are caught in tissues and good respiratory hygiene is followed.

What might change at school?



The time you drop off and pick up your child may change – individual schools will advise.

Can parents/carers come into school?



If parents/carers need to speak with a teacher, please do so over the phone or by email.

Face coverings



In primary schools, face coverings will not generally be necessary in the classroom even where social distancing is not possible. Staff have been issued with visors which they may wear in school if they wish to do so. Face coverings should only be worn by staff and students in secondary schools in areas of local lockdown.

What if there is a case of Covid-19 at school?



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If anyone at school tests **positive**, the bubble group must self-isolate for 10 days (subject to guidance from Public Health England) and then people should only return when they are well.



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The people they live with must self-isolate for 10 days.



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If you think you have symptoms, self-isolate and take a test. Do not go to school or your GP. If negative, return when you feel you are able to. If positive, self-isolate for at least 10 days until you feel well again.