

Risk Assessment

School operation during the Covid 19 pandemic

Section 1

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BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT:

From 1 September 2020 all schools are required to reopen for all pupils.

This model risk assessment has been developed to support schools in implementing government guidance for the reopening of schools first issued on 2 July 2020. It has now been updated to reflect updates published on 28 August 2020. It is available here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

Control measures in this risk assessment reflect government guidance for schools that are not in areas with additional local restrictions as of 1 September 2020.

We have included sections 2 and 3 from our previous risk assessment covering term 6 of the 2019-20 academic year as these could be of use if schools are required to close or partially close in response to a local outbreak of coronavirus. Guidance published on 28 August 2020 advises of the circumstances required for the full or partial closure of schools if this becomes necessary. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/how-schools-can-plan-for-tier-2-local-restrictions/how-schools-can-plan-for-tier-2-local-restrictions>

The risk assessment will be reviewed in response to updates to government guidance including any outcomes arising from the government *COVID-19: review of disparities and outcomes report* and any examples of shared 'best practice' that we receive. We have adapted this risk assessment in consultation with relevant partners including trade union representatives where available.

In line with government guidance to other businesses that are advised to go back to work, this risk assessment will be made publicly available to those who wish to see it. The same guidance also provides those employers with a downloadable notice which we have placed on display.

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The World Health Organisation (WHO) published a [new statement](#) on the 21 August on when children should wear face coverings. They now advise that "children aged 12 and over should wear a mask under the same conditions as adults, in particular when they cannot guarantee at least a 1-metre distance from others and there is widespread transmission in the area"

Nationwide, the government is not recommending face coverings are necessary in education settings generally because a system of control, applicable to all education environments, provides additional mitigating measures. Schools have the discretion to require face coverings in communal areas where social distancing cannot be safely managed, if they believe that it is right in their particular circumstances. This will be detailed in this risk assessment.

Examples of where education leaders might decide to recommend the wearing of face coverings - for pupils and staff - in communal areas of the education setting include:

- where the layout of the school estate makes it particularly difficult to maintain social distancing when staff and pupils are moving around the premises
- where on top of hygiene measures and the system of controls recommended in the full opening guidance to schools and FE colleges and providers, permitting the use of face coverings for staff, pupils or other visitors would provide additional confidence to parents to support a full return of children to school

On the basis of current evidence, in light of the mitigating measures education settings are taking, and the negative impact on communication, face coverings will not generally be necessary in the classroom even where social distancing is not possible. There is greater use of the system of controls for minimising risk, including through keeping in small and consistent groups or bubbles, and greater scope for physical distancing by staff within classrooms. Face coverings can have a negative impact on learning and teaching and so their use in the classroom should be avoided.

Part 1: Reopening schools from 1 September 2020

The rationale for schools re-opening for more groups of pupils is set out in the document Education and childcare during coronavirus: Guidance for the full reopening of schools. It is predetermined on the principle that cases of coronavirus have reduced and that there is an effective 'Track and Trace' process in place. The guidance is clear that risks posed to pupils from remaining out of school in terms of their wellbeing, safeguarding and academic achievement outweigh those posed from the contraction of coronavirus. In relation to working in schools the guidance states that "whilst it is not possible to ensure a totally risk-free environment, the Office of National Statistics' analysis on [coronavirus \(COVID-19\) related deaths linked to occupations](#) suggests that staff in educational settings tend not to be at any greater risk from the disease than many other occupations. There is no evidence that children transmit the disease any more than adults"

This risk assessment is based on the control measures described in the government guidance for reopening schools referred to above. This states that if schools follow the control measures as set out below, they can be "confident that they are managing risk effectively".

The system of controls: protective measures

Having assessed their risk, schools must work through the below system of controls, adopting measures in a way that addresses the risk identified in their assessment, works for their school, and allows them to deliver a broad and balanced curriculum for their pupils, including full educational and care support for those pupils who have SEND.

If schools follow the guidance set out here, they will effectively reduce risks in their school and create an inherently safer environment.

System of controls

This is the set of actions schools must take. They are grouped into 'prevention' and 'response to any infection' and are outlined in more detail in the sections below. The updated risk assessment has been organised to relate to the system of controls.

Prevention:

- 1) 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
- 2) where recommended, use of face coverings in schools.
- 3) clean hands thoroughly more often than usual
- 4) ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach
- 5) introduce enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often, using standard products such as detergents and bleach
- 6) minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible
- 7) where necessary, wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE)

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Numbers 1 to 5 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.

Response to any infection:

8) engage with the NHS Test and Trace process

9) manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) amongst the school community

10) contain any outbreak by following local health protection team advice

Numbers 8 to 10 must be followed in every case where they are relevant.

What is the Task/Activity or Environment you are assessing?	What Hazards are present or may be generated? Look at the activity, processes or substances used that could cause harm to health or injury. Use a row for each one identified	Who is affected or exposed to hazards? (Staff Students Visitors Contractors Etc.)	What Severity of Harm can reasonably be expected? (See Definitions Table 1)	What Precautions (Existing Controls) are already in place to either Eliminate or Reduce the risk of an accident happening?	What Likelihood is there of an accident occurring? (See Definitions Table 1)	What is the Risk Rating? (See Risk Rating Matrix Table 2)
Prevention						
1) 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						
Contact with infected persons/ exposure to the virus within the school.	Person contracts coronavirus as a result of direct contact with an infected person (or a symptomatic person) entering the premises.	Pupils and staff	Fatal/Major	<p>Guidance has been issued to the entire school community. Anyone affected must stay at home if they (or their family members) have any of the following symptoms: a high temperature, a new continuous cough, a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste. OR they have tested positive for coronavirus in the last 7 days.</p> <p>Those affected must follow government stay at home guidance as follows https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infections</p> <p>Temperature testing is not recommended on its own. Guidance states that it is not a reliable method for identifying coronavirus.</p>	Low	Medium

	<p>Contact with those developing symptoms of the virus during the working day.</p>	<p>Pupils and staff</p>	<p>Fatal/Major</p>	<p>Our procedure will be that If anyone in the school becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they will 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 symptoms.</p> <p>If a child is awaiting collection, they will be moved, if possible, to first aid room where they can be isolated behind a closed door, depending on the age of the child and with appropriate adult supervision if required. Ideally, a window will be opened for ventilation. If it is not possible to isolate them, we will move them to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people.</p> <p>If they need to go to the bathroom while waiting to be collected, we endeavour that they will use a separate bathroom if possible. The bathroom will be cleaned and disinfected using standard cleaning products before being used by anyone else.</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Medium</p>
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				<p>PPE will be worn by staff caring for the child while they await collection if a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained (such as for a very young child or a child with complex needs).</p> <p>In an emergency we will call 999 if they are seriously ill or injured or their life is at risk. We will not suggest a visit to the GP, pharmacy, urgent care centre or a hospital.</p> <p>If a member of staff has helped someone who was unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, we have noted they do not need to go home unless they develop symptoms themselves (and in which case, a test is available) or the child subsequently tests positive</p> <p>They are instructed to wash their hands thoroughly for 20 seconds after any contact with someone who is unwell. We will clean the affected area with normal household disinfectant after someone with symptoms has left to reduce the risk of passing the infection on to other people. See the COVID-19: cleaning of non-healthcare settings guidance</p>		
Provision of first aid	Inadequate first aid treatment exacerbates injury	Pupils and staff	Serious	Qualified first aiders are available as required.	Low	Low

	or pre-existing conditions.			<p>Where reasonably practicable we will ensure that opportunities for pupils to mix with pupils who are not in their group are limited during the administration of first aid.</p> <p>Normal hygiene precautions (handwashing and use of gloves) are taken when administering first aid.</p> <p>See below re: use of PPE and working in close proximity to an injured person.</p>		
Administration of medication	Illness or injury to those who are unable to access their medication	Pupils and staff	Fatal/ major	<p>School procedures for the administration of prescription and controlled medication will continue to apply.</p> <p>Parents have been advised that they must return any required medication to school; we will check that medication that has remained in school is still in date. Parents have been advised where this is not the case.</p> <p>Staff will wear PPE whilst administering medication if it is not possible to maintain 2m social distancing.</p> <p>Pupils/ students with allergies and/or those requiring medication (including asthma inhalers) will be known to all staff and their requirements identified on class lists for each teaching group.</p> <p>EHC Plans or other relevant Healthcare Plans to be shared with staff responsible for each teaching group.</p> <p>Adrenaline Auto-injectors (AAI) and asthma inhalers to be easily accessible and their whereabouts known by staff</p>	Low	Low

				<p>and pupils. Pupils requiring these will be placed in a group with a member of staff who has had the relevant training to administer the AAI and recognise the signs of an allergic reaction/asthma attack.</p> <p>They accept that in an emergency the importance of immediate action to save life takes precedence over social distancing.</p> <p>We will provide refresher training for all staff re: the requirements for individual children with known allergies and ensure that those supervising groups of children at lunchtime are aware of the importance of avoiding cross contamination.</p> <p>Disinfectant sprays will be available in classrooms for the cleaning of tables. Rubbish disposed of and bin emptied to avoid allergens remaining in the classroom for longer than necessary</p>		
2) where recommended, use of face coverings in schools.						
Use of face coverings	Failure to use face covering in areas where it is difficult to maintain social distancing increases the likelihood of exposure to coronavirus in the school community.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Government guidance is as follows: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/face-coverings-in-education/face-coverings-in-education</p> <p>Face coverings will be worn by all students and staff in inside communal areas such as the Sixth form common room and corridors.</p>	Medium	Medium

	<p>Students/ staff do not have face covering.</p> <p>Face covering is damaged or otherwise unsuitable for use.</p>	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Requirements for students to have a face covering have been communicated to parents/carers.</p> <p>It is reasonable to assume that staff and young people will now have access to face coverings due to their increasing use in wider society, and Public Health England has made available resources on how to make a simple face covering.</p> <p>However, where anybody is struggling to access a face covering, or where they are unable to use their face covering due to having forgotten it or it having become soiled or unsafe, we will take steps to have a small contingency supply available to meet such needs.</p> <p>No-one should be excluded from education on the grounds that they are not wearing a face covering.</p>		
	Students, staff or visitors exempt from wearing a face covering	Pupils, staff, visitors	Serious	<p>Some individuals are exempt from wearing <u>face coverings</u>. This applies to those who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> cannot put on, wear or remove a face covering because of a physical or mental illness or impairment or disability speak to or provide assistance to someone who relies on lip reading, clear sound or facial expression to communicate 	Medium	Medium

				The same exemptions will apply in our school; we will ensure that staff and students are aware of this and are sensitive to those needs.		
Safe wearing and removal of face coverings	Potential of contamination if face coverings are removed or disposed of incorrectly.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>A process is in place for removing face coverings when those who use face coverings arrive at school, and when face coverings are worn at school in certain circumstances. This process has been communicated clearly to pupils and staff.</p> <p>Safe wearing of face coverings requires cleaning of hands before and after touching – including to remove or put them on – and the safe storage of them in individual, sealable plastic bags between use. Where a face covering becomes damp, it should not be worn and the face covering should be replaced carefully.</p> <p>Pupils will be instructed not to touch the front of their face covering during use or when removing it and they must dispose of temporary face coverings in a covered waste bin (not recycling bin) or place reusable face coverings in a plastic bag they can take home with them, and then wash their hands again before heading to their classroom.</p>	Medium	Medium
3) clean hands thoroughly more often than usual						

Hand hygiene	Poor hand hygiene increases the likelihood of infection from coronavirus	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Opportunities are provided for staff and pupils to clean their hands with soap and water/hand sanitiser and dry thoroughly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on arrival at school • after using the toilet • after breaks and sporting activities • before food preparation • before eating any food, including snacks • before leaving school • after sneezing/coughing. <p>Paper towels will be used to dry hands in preference to hand dryers. Delegated Services response have confirmed there is no Government guidance to this effect. Using hand towels leads to vandalism and excessive cost in our experience. Governors agreed on to continue to use hand dryers.</p> <p>Covered bins available for disposal of paper towels will be emptied periodically during the day.</p> <p>Signage about how to wash hands properly, is on display and reinforced with pupils.</p> <p>Where sinks are not easily accessible from the room used by a 'group' of pupils hand sanitiser will be available in every room.</p>	Low	Low
	Use of hand sanitiser potential for improper use and ingestion.	Pupils and staff	Serious	We are providing/allowing the use of hand sanitisers that contain at least 60% alcohol.	Low	Low

				<p>Recognising it is not possible to follow the hand wash advice everywhere, a hand sanitiser is next best and unless there's some allergy, and depending on the age of our pupils, they could use their own/ours under supervision through to it being 'dispensed'.</p> <p>We have obtained the Safety Data Sheet for the product(s). They advise on action to be followed if the sanitiser is not used as designed i.e. a child drinks some; it gets in eyes etc.</p> <p>This will also help with potential reactions to the product.</p> <p>We have and will secure adequate supplies of the product and provide it, especially in areas such as reception to the building(s).</p> <p>We will not make our own having addressed the national CLEAPSS guidance.</p>		
4) ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach						
Respiratory Hygiene	Poor respiratory hygiene increases the likelihood of infection from exposure to coronavirus.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Catch it, kill it, Bin it – tissues are available in all classrooms, staffroom and reception at a minimum. The message is reinforced with pupils.</p> <p>Covered bins are available for the disposal of used tissues.</p>	Low	Low
Ventilation (Open windows and doors are recommended as a means of improving air	Falls from height (open windows)	All premises occupants	Serious	Whilst taking into consideration the necessity to increase ventilation by improving air circulation within the building we have advised staff that window opening restrictors must not be removed.	Low	Low

circulation within the building)	Use of air conditioning accelerates the spread of coronavirus	All premises occupants	Serious	<p>We have taken advice from our contractors re: the suitability of our air conditioning system for use at this time and taken the following action:</p> <p>The risk of air conditioning spreading coronavirus (COVID-19) in the workplace is extremely low. We will limit the use of air conditioning.</p> <p>But, if used it we will turn off recirculation and use a fresh air supply.</p>	Low	Low
	Additional doors and windows are left open compromising site security/fire safety.	All premises occupants	Serious	<p>We have reviewed our site and identified doors that could remain open without compromising fire safety/ and or security.</p> <p>For high risk areas such as kitchens and boiler rooms fire doors will be kept in the closed position. Lower risk rooms such as classrooms and offices may be propped open with a removable weight or wedge. There are people present who will be tasked with removing it if the alarm goes off and at the end of the day.</p> <p>Door guards etc, will continue to be used to improve circulation in the building (and also reduce the need for touching the door handles).</p>	Low	Low
	Open windows in the winter months mean that the temperature in buildings is uncomfortable.	All premises occupants	Serious	We will ensure that our building is heated to a temperature whereby staff and pupils can work comfortably whilst endeavouring to ensure that there are measures in place to ensure good ventilation. This will include closing external doors to avoid unnecessary heat loss from occupied buildings.	Medium	Medium

				<p>Advice from HSE available https://www.hse.gov.uk/temperature/thermal/managers.htm</p> <p>NB Minimum workplace temperature is 16 degrees centigrade.</p>		
Use of temporary heaters	Unguarded devices increase potential for fire and injury to staff and pupils	All premises occupants	Serious	<p>Where temporary devices are deployed, we will ensure that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • electrical sockets are not overloaded • heaters are suitably guarded so as not to cause injury to staff and pupils • cables etc do not form trip hazards <p>There is a regime in place to ensure that all devices are switched off when not in use and that this is checked at the end of the day.</p>	Low	Low
5) introduce enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often, using standard products such as detergents and bleach						
Cleaning	Person contracts COVID19 as a result of inadequate cleaning	Pupils and staff	Fatal/Major	<p>We have reviewed the cleaning specification with our cleaning contractor to ensure that this meets requirements set out in https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings</p> <p><u>NB, we note that PHE will publish revised guidance for cleaning nonhealthcare settings by the end of the summer term.</u></p> <p>We have identified cleaning of high-risk areas to be undertaken throughout the school day to include:</p> <p>Door handles</p>	Medium	Medium

				<p>Kettles</p> <p>Taps</p> <p>Switches</p> <p>Phones</p> <p>Laptops /</p> <p>Printers and photocopiers</p> <p>Staffroom/ food preparation</p> <p>Surfaces that pupils are touching e.g.: books, chairs, tables, doors, sinks, toilets, bannisters, light switches, etc.</p> <p>Janitorial services will be available during the school day for this purpose.</p> <p>Lids on toilets, where available, will be closed when not in use</p>		
	<p>Inappropriate exposure to cleaning product results in allergic reaction/ poisoning etc</p> <p>Storage arrangements of cleaning product change increasing potential for unauthorised 'use' by pupils.</p>	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>All staff involved in cleaning duties will receive training re: safe use and storage of cleaning materials.</p> <p>PPE will be provided for all cleaning activities.</p> <p>Safety data sheets for cleaning products are available.</p> <p>Only recommended cleaning products will be used.</p>	Low	Low

Measures to reduce contamination from coronavirus.	Use of shared resources	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Staff and pupils will have individual pens, pencils etc that are not shared.</p> <p>Classroom based resources such as books and games will be shared within the 'group/bubble'; these will be cleaned frequently along with frequently touched surfaces.</p> <p>Resources that are shared between groups/bubbles will be cleaned frequently and between use by different groups/bubbles or rotated to allow them to be quarantined and out of reach for 48 hours (72 hours plastics).</p> <p>Staff have been advised that they must wash their hands and surfaces before and after handling pupils' books.</p>	Low	Low
	Harder to clean items	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We have removed soft furnishings, that are harder to clean (such as those with intricate parts) from classrooms and teaching spaces until further notice.</p> <p>Where these remain, they will be subject to regular cleaning and disinfection.</p>	Low	Low
	Items from home to school and vice versa	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We are limiting the items that pupils bring in from home each day to essentials such as lunch boxes, hats, coats, stationery and mobile phones. Bags are allowed.</p> <p>Pupils and teachers can take books and other shared resources home although this will be limited.</p>	Low	Low

				Rules on hand cleaning, cleaning of the resources and rotation will apply to these resources.		
	Items requiring laundry	Pupils and staff	Serious	We will ensure that all items that are laundered within the school eg: towels, are washed in line with guidance on cleaning in non-healthcare settings and that these items are not shared by children between washes.	Low	Low
6) minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible						
Individual pupil medical requirements	Pupils (or their family members) in identified groups are vulnerable to contracting Coronavirus.	Extremely clinically vulnerable pupils (shielded)	Fatal/ Major	<p>These pupils may return to school on 1 September 2020. However, if local infection rates rise, they could be advised to shield again.</p> <p>We note that where pupils are no longer required to shield but generally remain under the care of a specialist health professional we may need to discuss their care with their health professional before returning to school (usually at their next planned clinical appointment). See: COVID-19 - 'shielding' guidance for children and young people.</p> <p>Where a pupil is unable to attend school because they are complying with clinical and/or public health advice, we will offer them access to the Trust's Home Learning Offer.</p> <p>Where children are not able to attend school as parents are following clinical</p>	Low	Low

				and/or public health advice, absence will not be penalised.		
		Clinically vulnerable pupils	Serious	These pupils should attend school	Low	Low
		Pupils living in a household with a person who is extremely clinically vulnerable.	Serious	These pupils should attend school	Low	Low
		Those living in a household with a person who is clinically vulnerable. (Including pregnant)	Serious	These pupils should attend school	Low	Low
Individual staff requirements	Concerns from staff in identified work groups	Clinically extremely vulnerable (Shielding)	Fatal/ Major	<p>We note that individuals who were considered to be clinically extremely vulnerable and received a letter advising them to shield are now advised that they can return to work from 1 August as long as they maintain social distancing.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19</p> <p>Staff in this category may still be at risk of severe illness if they catch coronavirus, so they should stay at home as much as possible and continue to</p>	Medium	Medium

				<p>take precautions when they do go out. They can do this by washing their hands regularly, avoiding touching their face and keeping 2 metres away from people outside of their household or bubble wherever possible and in any case at least 1 metre with protective measures in place.</p> <p>Staff in this category can go to work, as long as the workplace is COVID-secure but should carry on working from home if they can. This may be possible for non pupil facing roles but will not be possible for the majority of pupil facing roles. We will be as flexible as possible in how these members of staff are deployed to enable them to work remotely where possible or in roles in school where it is possible to maintain social distancing.</p> <p>Individual risk assessment undertaken with member of staff.</p>		
		Clinically vulnerable including pregnant women	Serious	<p>May attend work but should follow advice https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing#clinically-vulnerable-people</p> <p>An individual risk assessment must be carried out for new and expectant mothers; exposure to coronavirus should be included as a potential hazard.</p>	Low	Low
		Those living in a household with a person who is extremely clinically vulnerable.	Serious	<p>The current advice is that 'shielding' will pause on 1st August 2020. This will enable staff to go to their workplace, as long as they maintain strict social distancing (of 2 metres) and the school is Covid safe.</p>	Low	Low

		Those living in a household with a person who is clinically vulnerable. (Including pregnant)	Serious	These staff members are attending work.	Low	Low
Use of supply teachers and other temporary or peripatetic staff	Potential for the introduction of coronavirus into the school	Staff and pupils	Serious	<p>We note that it is permissible for supply staff and other temporary works to move between schools.</p> <p>We will ensure that such staff follow our control measures for the prevention of coronavirus and advise them to take particular care in minimising contact with pupils as far as is practicable.</p> <p>All casual staff will be required to read and agree to the actions in this risk assessment</p> <p>Where possible we will endeavour to engage staff on a consistent basis.</p>	Low	Low
Use of trainees and students	Potential for the introduction of coronavirus into the school	Staff and pupils	Serious	<p>Trainees and students may be able to work at the school, as would usually be the case, as long as they are attached to a consistent group or bubble</p> <p>All trainees and students will be expected to follow our control measures to reduce the spread of coronavirus. Mixing of trainees or students across groups will be kept to a minimum, and they should remain 2 metres from pupils and staff where possible.</p>	Low	Low

				All trainees and students will be required to read and agree to the actions in this risk assessment		
Use of volunteers	Potential for the introduction of coronavirus into the school	Staff and pupils	Serious	<p>Volunteers may be used to support the work of the school, as would usually be the case.</p> <p>All volunteers will be expected to follow our control measures to reduce the spread of coronavirus. Mixing of volunteers across groups will be kept to a minimum, and they should remain 2 metres from pupils and staff where possible.</p> <p>All volunteers will be required to read and agree to the actions in this risk assessment</p>	Low	Low
Social distancing across the site	Too many people on site increases likelihood of exposure to coronavirus	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We have taken the following measures to reduce footfall and maintain social distancing on site including:</p> <p>Advising parents that only one person should attend to deliver/pick up their child.</p> <p>Erected signage and barriers to remind those visiting the site of social distancing requirements.</p> <p>Pupils will be advised of the appropriate entrance and exit to use. Opportunities for groups of pupils congregating on site before and after school will be minimised.</p>	Medium	Medium

	Large groups of pupils and/or adults increase the likelihood of exposure to and transmission of coronavirus	Pupils and staff	Serious	Assemblies, performances, visiting groups etc will not take place until further notice. Microsoft Teams may be used as an assembly replacement	Low	Low
Grouping pupils and social distancing of pupils:						
	Exposure to infection Classroom teaching Secondary	Pupils and staff	Serious	We are following government guidance as follows: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools We will maintain consistent groupings of pupils. This will reduce the number of pupils and staff potentially becoming infected with coronavirus and required to self-isolate should a case occur. In our school this will be achieved as follows: All pupils will be maintained in year group bubbles within specified blocks during teaching time and specified areas in social time. Separate toilets and food provision areas will be provided. We will make small adaptations to the classroom to support distancing where possible. That may include seating pupils side by side and facing forwards, rather than face to face or side on, and might	Low	Low

				<p>include moving unnecessary furniture out of classrooms to make more space.</p> <p>We have advised staff of the strong public health advice that secondary school staff maintain distance from their pupils, staying at the front of their class and away from their colleagues where possible. Ideally this should be at a 2m distance.</p> <p>We will minimise mixing for arrival, lunchtime, breaks and departure. The end of the school day will have a staggered finish. While in general groups should be kept apart, brief, transitory contact, such as passing in a corridor, is low risk.</p> <p>PE equipment for different groups of pupils, all resources and the room will be cleaned thoroughly between groups.</p> <p>We are referring to CLEAPS/DATA/ afPE guidance available for specialist areas.</p>		
Small Group Work	Exposure to infection	Pupils and staff	Serious	Where small group work is undertaken pupils and staff members will remain 2 metres apart wherever possible. Where this is not possible, or where work is required to be undertaken in close proximity to another, additional precautions, such as the use of PPE (visors, screens etc) will be deployed to reduce the risk of exposure to infection.	Low	Low

<p>Curriculum delivery: Music</p>	<p>Increased likelihood of infection from coronavirus from playing musical instruments and singing.</p>	<p>Pupils and staff</p>		<p>We have an operating procedure for cleaning any shared instruments.</p> <p>Singing, wind and brass instrument playing can be undertaken in line with this and other guidance, in particular guidance provided by the DCMS for professionals and non-professionals, available at working safely during coronavirus (COVID-19): performing arts</p> <p>We will mitigate the potential aggregate risk of aerosol transmission by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playing instruments and singing outdoors where possible. If indoors limiting numbers where necessary to take account of space. • If indoors using a room with as much space as possible eg: large room with high ceiling. Limiting numbers to take into account ventilation and the ability to social distance. • Singing, wind and brass playing will not take place in larger groups such as choirs and ensembles or assemblies unless significant space, natural airflow (at least 10l/s/person for all present including audiences) and strict social distancing is in place. • In smaller groups where activities can take place strict social distancing between each singer and player and between singers and players and any other persons eg: conductors or 	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>
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				<p>accompanists must be observed. Current guidance is that if the activity is face to face and without mitigating actions 2m is appropriate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 will be used where possible or singing to be carried out quietly <p>When handling instruments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased handwashing is required before and after handling equipment particularly if it is being used by more than one person. • Sharing equipment will be avoided. Any shared equipment including cases, props, chairs and microphones must be disinfected regularly and always between users. • Instruments should be cleaned by the pupils playing them where possible. • Handling of music, parts and scripts to be limited to individual using them only. Pick up and drop off points to be set up rather than passing equipment etc hand to hand. <p>Schools are able to work with external organisations for the delivery of music lessons where they are satisfied that this</p>		
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				is safe to do so and where is meets the guidelines above. Schools should consider carefully how such arrangements can operate within their wider protective measures.		
Curriculum delivery: Drama and dance	Increased likelihood of infection from coronavirus	Pupils, staff	Serious	In addition to the adherence to agreed pupil groupings particular care will be taken to maintain social distancing. Staff will not physically correct pupils. Lessons will be devised that do not incorporate opportunities for contact between pupils Background or accompanying music will be kept at levels that do not encourage teachers or other performers to raise their voices unduly.	Low	Low
Curriculum delivery: Physical Education	Increased likelihood of infection from coronavirus	Pupils and staff	Serious	Pupils will be kept in consistent groups, sports equipment thoroughly cleaned between each use by different individual groups, and contact sports avoided. Outdoor sports should be prioritised where possible, and large indoor spaces used where it is not, maximising distancing between pupils and paying scrupulous attention to cleaning and hygiene. Students will be asked to wear PE kit to school on PE days, bringing a change of clothes in case they get wet. This is particularly important in a sports setting because of the way in which people breathe during exercise. External	Low	Low

				<p>facilities can also be used in line with government guidance for the use of, and travel to and from, those facilities.</p> <p>Sports whose national governing bodies have developed guidance under the principles of the government's guidance on team sport and been approved by the government are permitted. Schools must only provide team sports on the list available at return to recreational team sport framework.</p> <p>Schools should refer to the following advice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • guidance 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 <p>Schools are able to work with external coaches, clubs and organisations for curricular and extra-curricular activities where they are satisfied that this is safe to do so.</p>		
Public Examinations (Use of the school as an Examinations Centre for existing	Failure to engage with the 'track and trace process' increases the likelihood of exposure to and	Pupils and staff	Serious	We will collect and keep contact information for candidates and invigilators so that we can share it with NHS Test and Trace if needed. This is particularly important for any external	Low	Low

and potentially returning students who are no longer on the school roll.)	transmission of coronavirus in the school community and beyond.			visitors, including any non-school staff assisting with exams, and candidates not on roll at the school. Every exam will have a seating plan, so we will add the names of the invigilators and cross reference them to the contact details we hold for candidates and invigilators.		
	Poor social distancing increases the likelihood of the transmission of coronavirus on arrival and departure of candidates	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Candidates will be advised to read the safer travel guidance before planning their journey to their exam, especially where the exam is being held in a location to which the candidate does not normally travel.</p> <p>As candidates arrive before the scheduled start time of exams, we will keep them separate from other students arriving at the school.</p> <p>We will also make sure that any candidates who arrive late for the exam follow social distancing measures.</p> <p>There will be a plan to manage candidates leaving the exam room and site, particularly as exams may finish at different times. As part of this, we will take into account any candidates who need extra time in exams.</p>	Low	Low
	Inadequate cleaning increases the likelihood of the transmission of coronavirus.	Pupils and staff	Serious	Exam rooms will be kept clean. Frequently touched surfaces (for example, door handles, individual desks) will be cleaned after every exam with the usual cleaning products, including the	Low	Low

				<p>backs of chairs where candidates may pull chairs out to sit.</p> <p>Rooms do not need to be left empty between exams, provided they are cleaned properly each time.</p>		
	<p>Poor social distancing increases the likelihood of the transmission of coronavirus</p>	<p>Pupils and staff</p>	<p>Serious</p>	<p>Desks will not be set up face to face. For GCSE, AS and A level exams, the minimum distance in all directions from centre to centre of candidates' chairs must be 1.25 metres, following JCQ's Instructions for Conducting Examinations. This distance is the minimum that must be maintained for students within a group bubble. For VTQ exams, we will follow the guidance specified by the relevant awarding organisation.</p> <p>All other candidates, whether in different group bubbles, private candidates or those returning to school to take exams, will be seated 2 metres apart from each other. These candidates can be seated in the same room.</p> <p>There is no overall limit on the number of candidates who can sit in a room, as long as desks are correctly spaced. The upper limit to the number of candidates who can take an exam in a room together depends on the desk spacing requirements.</p> <p>The importance of adequate ventilation will also be considered when selecting the room for exams.</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>

				Invigilators may walk up and down aisles between desks, but there will also be points in the room where an invigilator can stand at least 2 metres from the nearest desks and see all the candidates in the room.		
	Failure to wear a face covering increases the likelihood of the transmission of coronavirus in areas where social distancing cannot be observed.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Candidates and invigilators do not need to wear face coverings during exams, but they may wear them if they wish to.</p> <p>Candidates and invigilators should wear face coverings in communal areas if the exam centre is in an area of local intervention, or if we have chosen to use face coverings in communal areas.</p> <p>Everyone who uses public transport to travel to exams should follow the requirements for wearing face coverings</p>	Low	Low
	Invigilators - Poor social distancing increases the likelihood of the transmission of coronavirus	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We will follow our protocols in place for visitors and temporary staff. Invigilators can move between different schools. They should minimise contact and maintain as much distance as possible from other staff.</p> <p>Before the exams, we will advise invigilators what they need to do to minimise contact and maintain as much distance as possible from other staff.</p> <p>Invigilators do not need to wear gloves when collecting exam scripts from candidates but will be advised to wash their hands thoroughly and more</p>	Low	Low

				frequently than usual and particularly after handling exam papers.		
	Poor social distancing between staff and candidates increases the likelihood of the transmission of coronavirus.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We will advise invigilators and other staff to stand alongside candidates when interacting with them, rather than face to face.</p> <p>For encounters of over 15 minutes, for example, when scribes, readers or other individuals are supporting candidates, staff should maintain a 2-metre distance where possible, for example using a separate room from other candidates. If staff cannot maintain a 2-metre distance, they should avoid close face to face contact and minimise time spent within 1 metre of others.</p> <p>These arrangements may not be possible when working with some candidates who have complex needs, in which case these candidates' educational support should be provided as normal during exams.</p> <p>If candidates need to leave the exam room and need to be accompanied for more than 15 minutes, staff will maintain a 2-metre distance where possible. If this is not possible, staff should take mitigating measures, such as standing alongside the candidate and considering using a face covering</p>	Low	Low
Visits for prospective parents	Large groups of adults increase likelihood of exposure to and	Pupils and staff	Serious	Virtual tours will be provided for prospective parents and carers wherever possible.	Low	Low

	transmission of coronavirus			<p>If it is necessary for parents and carers to visit in person, we will ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • face coverings are worn if required in line with arrangements for staff and other visitors to the school. • there is regular handwashing, especially before and after the visit • we hold visits after hours. If this is not possible, we will consider limiting visits to the outside play areas during regular hours, and ensure strict social distancing is observed • that the area visited is fully cleaned before reoccupation by staff and pupils. • Prior to a visit, we will ensure that parents and carers are aware: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • of the system of controls • how this impacts them and their responsibilities during their visit • how to maintain social distancing from staff, other visitors, and children other than those in their care 		
Staffing availability and ratios	Staffing ratios insufficient for pupil numbers and grouping arrangements. Need to consider safe levels of supervision and social distancing arrangements.	Pupils and staff	Serious	Utilise other suitably qualified members of staff within the school alongside casual staff/agency staff to cover absence.	Low	Low

	Daily variation in staffing means that the school is unable to operate safely for all groups of pupils.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Staff have been advised that they must inform Charlene Hathaway (HR Officer) and Kate Duncan (Cover Supervisor) as soon as possible if there are any changes in their circumstances that will affect their ability to work.</p> <p>Headteacher to notify the Chief Executive/Chief Financial and Operating Officer if part closure is necessary due to insufficient staff available. The school will work with the Trust to put in place alternative arrangements e.g. the Trust's home learning for any period of temporary closure.</p> <p>We will inform affected members of the school community if full or partial closure is required at short notice i.e. via Insight, school email.</p>	Low	Low
Emergency Evacuation and lockdown	Failure to follow procedures leads to injury or loss of life.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Measures necessary for additional ventilation of the building have been and will not compromise fire safety or site security arrangements.</p> <p>We have briefed staff who are aware of the measures to take in the event of an emergency evacuation or lockdown. Registers for different groups will be required.</p> <p>Safe evacuation/ lockdown takes priority over the maintenance of social distancing arrangements temporarily.</p>	Medium	Medium
Arrival and departure from school	Exposure to infection from	Pupils and staff	Serious	We will review start/ finish times to keep groups of pupils apart as they arrive and finish school. Year groups will be released at staggered points for	Medium	Medium

	inadequate social distancing			departure. This will not involve the loss of teaching time		
Circulation within the building	Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing	Pupils and staff	Serious	We will arrange for pupils to access rooms directly from outside where possible. Circulation routes around the school have been reviewed. There is a one-way system in corridors and stairways.	Low	Low
Lunchtimes and break times	Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing during preparation and serving of food (catering staff)	Pupils and staff	Serious	Liaison with catering contractors is in place.	Low	Low
	Payment for food (secondary)	Pupils and staff	Serious	Finger recognition systems are not in use for meal payment. Students will be provided with PIN numbers. .	Low	Low
	Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing: Collection of food by pupils and eating arrangements	Pupils and staff	Serious	Pupils will enter the their identified lunch area in their existing groups. Groups to be kept apart as far as possible. We have addressed the potential for eating in classrooms during inclement weather and will use/use this option if necessary, as long as suitable levels of supervision can be achieved and cleaning is carried out before and after the consumption of food.	Low	Low
	Exposure to infection from inadequate social	Pupils and staff	Serious	Outside areas can be shared but pupils will remain in their distinct groups.	Low	Low

	distancing: breaktimes			Different groups of pupils must not play sports or games together. Adequate arrangements have been made for staff to maintain social distancing during breaktimes		
Public performances	Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing.	Pupils Staff Wider community	Serious	If planning an indoor or outdoor face-to-face performance in front of a live audience, we will follow the latest advice in the DCMS performing arts guidance, implementing events in the lowest risk order as described. If planning an outdoor performance we will also give particular consideration to the guidance on delivering outdoor events . <i>We are currently not planning public performances of any kind.</i>	N/A	N/A
Educational visits	Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing etc	Pupils and staff	Serious	We note government guidance advises against domestic (UK) overnight and overseas educational visits at this stage see coronavirus: travel guidance for educational settings . In line with government guidance we will consider the reintroduction of non-overnight domestic educational visits. These trips will include any trips for pupils with SEND connected with their preparation for adulthood (for example, workplace visits, travel training etc.). Our risk assessment for carrying out these visits will be carried out in line with protective measures, such as keeping children within their consistent group,	Low	Low

				<p>and the COVID-secure measures in place at the destination and wider advice on visiting indoor and outdoor venues.</p> <p>We will also make use of outdoor spaces in the local area to support delivery of the curriculum if this can be carried out in line with the implementation of the protective measures outlined in this risk assessment.</p> <p>(See https://oeapng.info/downloads/download-info/4-4k-coronavirus/)</p>		
Social distancing with other children/young people	Attendance at multiple settings (eg wrap around care or Early Years attendance at LA and private provision on different days of the week).	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We have advised parents that where possible they should limit the number of settings that their child attends.</p> <p>We recognise that there are some circumstances where a pupil will attend multiple settings (eg: as part of provision outlined in an EHP). In these circumstances we will work with the partner setting to address any risks identified to enable us to jointly deliver a broad and balanced curriculum to the pupil in question.</p>	Low	Low
School Reception areas	Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing: visitors to school.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Any visitors to site are to be by appointment only. Parents have been advised that they should call the office rather than coming into school.</p> <p>Door entry systems to be adjusted so that visitors cannot enter the reception area where there is not a physical barrier between office staff and visitors.</p>	Low	Low

				<p>Signage has been erected to advise visitors of social distancing protocols.</p> <p>Consultations with parents/ outside agencies etc, to take place over the phone/ video conferencing where feasible. If this is not possible 2m social distancing will be observed in any consultation room and the room cleaned after use.</p> <p>Payments to be online/ contactless where possible. Office staff to wear gloves when handling cash.</p> <p>Hand sanitiser will be provided to all persons entering premises with signage to explain control measures etc.</p>		
	Exposure to infection from deliveries arriving at the school.	Staff	Serious	<p>Clear guidance for delivery drivers to be placed at the school entrance to include advising the school reception by phone of their arrival.</p> <p>School staff will advise the delivery driver of a safe space to leave the goods and must not come into contact with the driver.</p> <p>Where it is not feasible to quarantine deliveries staff must wash their hands after unpacking items and dealing with waste packaging.</p>	Low	Low
	Violence and aggression towards school staff causes injury and distress	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We will maintain transparency and regular contact with all members of the school community.</p> <p>Regular briefings/updates for all staff so that they are aware of school response to the COVID 19 virus and can</p>	Low	Low

				<p>communicate consistently to those who ask.</p> <p>Readiness to deploy the range of behaviour remedies if behaviour becomes unacceptable from warning to full banning from site/sect 547 warnings/action.</p>		
Other work areas e.g. Offices	Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing: other work areas	Staff	Serious	<p>There may be business reasons for allowing some non-pupil facing staff to work from home, such as the building not sufficiently allowing the control measures to be put in place. However, we are encouraging all employees to return to work where possible, to support the effective running of the school.</p> <p>Staff meetings will be held in line with the 1-metre-plus rules.</p> <p>Furniture will be reconfigured/adapted in staff areas to allow social distancing e.g. screens between office workers</p> <p>All areas are cleaned regularly, a dishwasher is available for cleaning crockery, utensils etc. No tea towels or hand towels are to be used.</p> <p>ICT equipment should not be shared. If this is not possible keyboards and work areas must be cleaned between use.</p>	Low	Low
Contractors working on the premises.	Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing/ hygiene arrangements	All	Serious	<p>All contractors working on the premises will be required to follow control measures listed for visitors above. Where possible they will be required to visit after school hours.</p> <p>For areas where there are larger scale building projects in place, contractors will</p>	Low	Low

				remain entirely separate from the school community.		
Travelling to and from school	Risk of exposure to coronavirus whilst using dedicated school transport.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We will ensure that transport providers are aware of any changes to start and finishing times. We will ask individual transport providers for their risk assessments.</p> <p>We note that pupils on dedicated school services do not mix with the general public on those journeys and tend to be consistent. This means that the advice for passengers on public transport to adopt a social distance of two metres from people outside their household or support bubble, or a 'one metre plus' approach where this is not possible, will not apply from the autumn term on dedicated transport.</p> <p>Our expectations are that for dedicated transport parents and transport providers will consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how pupils are grouped together on transport, where possible this should reflect the bubbles that are adopted within school • use of hand sanitiser upon boarding and/or disembarking • additional cleaning of vehicles • organised queuing and boarding where possible • distancing within vehicles wherever possible 	Low	Low

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the use of face coverings for children over the age of 11, where appropriate, for example, if they are likely to come into very close contact with people outside of their group or who they do not normally meet face coverings to be brought from home where not provided by the transport provider <p>We will liaise with transport providers and any relevant LA department if applicable to ensure that their drivers/escorts do not work if they have symptoms of the virus, hygiene rules are followed and appropriate distance kept between passengers.</p> <p>Families using public transport should refer to the safer travel guidance for passengers.</p>		
	Exposure to coronavirus when travelling to and from school and within wider social groupings (outside school).	Pupils	Serious	<p>Pupil travel arrangements have been taken into consideration in our plans for opening as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will encourage pupils to walk or cycle to school where possible. Adjusted timings of the end of the school day to allow for a safer departure from school. <p>We have provided clear messages to pupils about minimising the use of public transport and how to reduce</p>	Low	Low

				<p>the risks of transmission outside of school.</p> <p>We have also discussed with pupils the potential for coronavirus to spread when they socialise in groups outside school and have reminded them of the importance of following social distancing guidance in the wider community.</p>		
	Risk of exposure to coronavirus whilst using school vehicles.	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>School vehicles will be used for essential purposes only.</p> <p>Passenger numbers to be reduced to allow for social distancing</p> <p>Where possible consistent allocation of driver, escort and passengers to vehicle.</p> <p>Hard surfaces eg: steering wheel, handbrake other controls, door handle, seatbelts etc to be cleaned after use.</p> <p>Vehicle users to wash hand before entering the vehicle. Sanitiser and wipes available for use within the vehicle.</p> <p>School safeguarding procedures to be followed re1:1 transport in school vehicles.</p>	Low	Low
	Potential for increased exposure to coronavirus (and potential for introduction into the school) through staff use of public transport at peak times.	All staff	Serious	<p>Staff use own private cars or cycle to work.</p> <p>Where staff are lift sharing they have considered social distancing.</p>	Low	Low

7) where necessary, wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) (A face covering is technically not PPE because they are not designed to protect the wearer from infection from coronavirus).						
Use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	Incorrect use exacerbates the risk of further infection.	Pupils and staff	Fatal/Major	<p>We are taking into account that Government guidance (11/05/20) does not recommend the use of a face covering or face masks in educational settings as follows:</p> <p>“The majority of staff in education settings will not require PPE beyond what they would normally need for their work, even if they are not always able to maintain a distance of 2 metres from others. PPE is only needed in a very small number of cases including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • if a child, young person or other learner becomes unwell with symptoms of coronavirus while in their setting and needs direct personal care until they can return home. A fluid-resistant surgical face mask should be worn by the supervising adult if a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained. If contact with the child or young person is necessary, then disposable gloves, a disposable apron and a fluid-resistant surgical face mask should be worn by the supervising adult. If a risk assessment determines that there is a risk of splashing to the eyes, for example from coughing, spitting, or vomiting, then eye protection should also be worn” 	Low	Low

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where an individual risk assessment has identified PPE as a specific control measure for you. <p>It may also be necessary to wear PPE if working in very close proximity to another e.g. in one to one or small group work with children, particularly if the children are normally in different groups/bubbles</p> <p>Any staff that wish to use PPE outside the scenarios listed above should discuss this with their line manager.</p> <p>We are complying with the above and are using our local supply chains to obtain PPE. We have noted where this is not possible, and there is unmet urgent need for PPE in order to operate safely, we may approach our local resilience forum.</p> <p>We will ensure that, staff who are likely to have to support pupils in the circumstances identified above and potentially in the administration of some first aid have access to appropriate equipment and training in its correct use and disposal.</p> <p>See: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/877658/Quick_guid</p>		
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Management of expectations within the school community	Anxiety within school community re: prevalence and effectiveness of infection control and social distancing measures.	All members of the school community	Serious	<p>Our communication with parents and pupils prior to our return in September will include information about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival and departure from school and arrangements for parents to access the site • Arrangements for infection control • Pupil groupings • What school day will look like • Expectations for attendance • Expectations for the wearing of school uniform (government guidance is that this should be worn as usual). • The avoidance of travel to school via public transport at peak times and measures the school are taking to work with parents to alleviate this • Expectations re: any new behaviour systems that we have put in place to support our work in infection control and social distancing • What will happen if there is a case of coronavirus at the school. <p>We are using this as an opportunity to ensure that pupils' emergency contact details are up to date.</p>	Low	Low

				Government guidance for parents is available at:		
Pupil wellbeing	Changing family circumstances likely to have an adverse effect of pupil's ability to reengage with school	Pupils and staff	Serious	Contact with families has been made by school staff to ensure that they are aware of any potential issues and that relevant support is made available. Staff responsible for pupil groups have been briefed in advance and made aware of any existing support plans/ risk assessments etc, for individual pupils. Plans will be reviewed before the start of term 1 to ensure that pupil's needs are met.	Medium	Medium
	Anxiety re: coronavirus and constraints of new learning environments	Pupils and staff	Serious	Pupils will have been pre-warned about what to expect when they return to school. Behaviour expectations will be explained to all pupils and reinforced by all staff to support pupils in gaining an understanding that it is safe to be in school.	Medium	Medium
	School is unable to meet the needs of pupils with an EHP	Pupils	Serious	We have reviewed our existing risk assessments of children with an EHC plan and will follow guidance set out below to tailor provision to meet the needs of individual pupils as far as possible. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-send-risk-assessment-guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-send-risk-assessment-guidance	Low	Low

	Inadequate understanding or enforcement of pupil behaviour expectations.	Pupils and staff	Serious	The school Behaviour Policy has been updated to include expectations re: arrangements for social distancing and movement around school; hygiene rules. Consistent methods of communication ensure that staff, pupils and parents are aware of these.	Low	Low
	Ineffective reintegration of young/ vulnerable pupils who have not been attending school for a number of weeks causes anxiety and distress for parents and pupils	Pupils and staff	Serious	As parents will not be able to stay with their children to support their reintegration, we will discuss arrangements on an individual basis where we anticipate difficulties in this area. We will ensure that we have a contact number for the parent so that we can call to ask them to collect their child or provide reassurance to the parent if required.	Low	Low
	Pupils behaviour escalates and presents a risk to staff and other pupils	Pupils and staff	Serious	We have identified a 'safe spaces' via our student services reception for pupils who need to leave the lesson rather than having a 'meltdown' which could be likely after 6 months without schooling.	Low	Low
Staff wellbeing	Staff anxiety re: returning to work and potential exposure to the virus.	All staff	Serious	Individuals have been encouraged to discuss this with their line manager and have been signposted to the Employee Assistance Programme which provides telephone counselling and support for Mental Health and Wellbeing. HR advice is available if required. We have consulted with trade unions, via the Employee Liaison Committee, on the	Medium	Medium

				template risk assessment and our advice to staff.		
Staff training	Staff are not aware or do not understand the requirements for working safely.	All staff	Serious	<p>In preparation for a full return on 1 September 2020 training and written instruction has been provided re: operating procedures outlined in this risk assessment to all staff. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What to do if they suspect that they or a member of their household has coronavirus (including testing arrangements) • Day to day organisations and procedures including arrangements for cleaning, staff welfare facilities, travel to work • The importance of keeping teaching groups separate during the day • Arrangements for breaktimes and lunchtimes • Safeguarding including the continued importance of all staff acting immediately on any safeguarding concerns and any updates to school procedures re: recording concerns, contacting DSL (or Deputy). • Procedures to follow if they suspect that a child in their group is displaying coronavirus symptoms • Changes to school behaviour policies • Curriculum adaptations required re: social distancing 	Low	Low

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site security and fire safety including evacuation and lockdown procedures. • Use of PPE (where applicable). 		
Lettings	Potential for the introduction of coronavirus into the school, additional expense and possible reputational damage.	Staff and pupils and wider community	Serious	<p>Lettings of school facilities can happen from September subject to a written confirmation from the hirer that they have undertaken a risk assessment, that they will be Covid safe and comply with all government guidelines.</p> <p>In agreeing to a letting, we will ensure that we are considering carefully how such arrangements can operate within our wider protective measures and also have regard to any other relevant government guidance set out in:</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-multi-purpose-community-facilities/covid-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-multi-purpose-community-facilities</p> <p>For example, where opening up school leisure facilities for external use, ensuring they do so in line with government guidance on working safely</p>	Low	Low

				<p>during coronavirus (COVID-19) for providers of grassroots sport and gym or leisure facilities</p> <p>If the area used by the letting is not cleaned before it is next used through the schools routine cleaning arrangements, an additional clean will be required to ensure that the area is safe for the school to use. Any additional cleans will be chargeable to the hirer</p>		
	Failure to meet legal obligations re: track and trace	Staff, pupils and wider community	Serious	<p>Community centres and village halls which may host a variety of social, recreational and cultural activities, must collect information for all activities and events taking place within the venue. This should be collected by the person who hires the space. The venue must display an official NHS QR code poster which can be used for every activity that takes place there.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/use-of-the-nhs-covid-19-app-in-schools-and-further-education-colleges/use-of-the-nhs-covid-19-app-in-schools-and-further-education-colleges</p>	Low	Low
Response						
8) engage with the NHS Test and Trace process						
Engagement with the NHS Track and trace Process	Failure to follow PHE/ NHS Track and Trace procedures increases the likelihood of exposure to	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>Relevant staff understand the NHS Test and Trace process and how to contact their local Public Health England health protection team. We will ensure that staff members and parents/carers understand that they will need to be ready and willing to:</p>	Low	Low

	<p>coronavirus in the school community.</p> <p>Anxiety and dissent within the school community</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • book a test if they are displaying symptoms. Staff and pupils must not come into the school if they have symptoms, and must be sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school. All children can be tested, including children under 5, but children aged 11 and under will need to be helped by their parents/carers if using a home testing kit • provide details of anyone they have been in close contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace • self-isolate if they have been in close contact with someone who develops coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms or someone who tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) <p>Anyone who displays symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) can and should get a test. Tests can be booked online through the NHS testing and tracing for coronavirus website, or ordered by telephone via NHS 119 for those without access to the internet. Essential workers, which includes anyone involved in education or childcare, have priority access to testing.</p> <p>The government will ensure that it is as easy as possible to get a test through a wide range of routes that are locally accessible, fast and convenient.</p>		
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				<p>Home test kits are available in school and will be offered in the exceptional circumstance that we believe an individual may have barriers to accessing testing elsewhere.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-home-test-kits-for-schools-and-fe-providers/coronavirus-covid-19-home-test-kits-for-schools-and-fe-providers</p> <p>We will ask parents and staff to inform us immediately of the results of a test:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • if someone tests negative, if they feel well and no longer have symptoms similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), they can stop self-isolating. They could still have another virus, such as a cold or flu – in which case it is still best to avoid contact with other people until they are better. Other members of their household can stop self-isolating. • if someone tests positive, they should follow the ‘stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection’ and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms and then return to school only if they do not have symptoms 		
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				<p>other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste. This is because a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone. The 10-day period starts from the day when they first became ill. If they still have a high temperature, they should keep self-isolating until their temperature returns to normal. Other members of their household should continue self-isolating for the full 14 days.</p>		
9) manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) amongst the school community						
Management of confirmed cases of coronavirus	<p>Failure to follow PHE/ NHS Track and Trace procedures increases the likelihood of exposure to coronavirus in the school community.</p> <p>Anxiety and dissent within the school community</p>	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We will take swift action if we become aware that someone who has attended has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19).</p> <p>We will contact the local health protection team. This team will also contact schools directly if they become aware that someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) attended the school – as identified by NHS Test and Trace.</p> <p>Alternatively, we will call the Department for Education's existing coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline number on 0800 046 8687, and select option 1. The advice service is open Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm and 10am to 4pm on Saturdays and Sundays. The call will be with a dedicated team of advisors who</p>	Medium	Medium

				<p>will inform the setting of what action is needed based on the latest public health advice.</p> <p>The health protection team will carry out a rapid risk assessment to confirm who has been in close contact with the person during the period that they were infectious, and ensure they are asked to self-isolate.</p> <p>The health protection team will work with schools in this situation to guide them through the actions they need to take. Based on the advice from the health protection team, we will 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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 <p>The health protection team will provide definitive advice on who must be sent</p>		
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				<p>home. To support them in doing so, we will keep a record of pupils and staff in each group, and any close contact that takes places between children and staff in different groups (see section 5 of system of control for more on grouping pupils). This should be a proportionate recording process. Schools do not need to ask pupils to record everyone they have spent time with each day or ask staff to keep definitive records in a way that is overly burdensome.</p> <p>We note that a template letter will be provided to schools, on the advice of the health protection team, to send to parents and staff if needed. Schools must not share the names or details of people with coronavirus (COVID-19) unless essential to protect others.</p> <p>Household members of those contacts who are sent home do not need to self-isolate themselves unless the child, young person or staff member who is self-isolating subsequently develops symptoms. If someone in a class or group that has been asked to self-isolate develops symptoms themselves within their 14-day isolation period they should follow 'stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection'. They should get a test, and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • if the test delivers a negative result, they must remain in isolation for the remainder of the 14-day isolation period. This is because they could 		
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				<p>still develop the coronavirus (COVID-19) within the remaining days.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> if the test result is positive, they should inform their setting immediately, and must isolate for at least 7 days from the onset of their symptoms (which could mean the self-isolation ends before or after the original 14-day isolation period). Their household should self-isolate for at least 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms, following ‘stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection’ <p>We note that schools should not request evidence of negative test results or other medical evidence before admitting children or welcoming them back after a period of self-isolation.</p> <p>Further guidance is available on testing and tracing for coronavirus (COVID-19).</p>		
Inadequate response to alerts provided by use of NHS COVID-19 App	Inability to take the appropriate action in the same of a suspected case of COVID-19	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We note government guidance for use of the App in schools as set out below. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/use-of-the-nhs-covid-19-app-in-schools-and-further-education-colleges/use-of-the-nhs-covid-19-app-in-schools-and-further-education-colleges</p> <p>The agreed process for ensuring a setting is aware of a positive case, as set</p>	Low	Low

				<p>out in the guidance for full opening for schools and further education colleges in the autumn term, is still in place and is not changed by the introduction of the app.</p> <p>If we become aware that a student or member of staff has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), we will contact PHE using agreed local procedures. It is not necessary for staff or pupils old enough to use the app to use the check in feature of the app as school is their regular place of work. Parents should not check in if they are picking pupils up outside as to do so would create queues and compromise the COVID safety of the site. Visitors to the buildings should have the opportunity to check in and a QR code should be displayed at reception.</p> <p>It is not necessary for staff or pupils old enough to use the app to use the check in feature of the app as school is their regular place of work. Parents should not check in if they are picking pupils up outside as to do so would create queues and compromise the COVID safety of the site. Visitors to the buildings should have the opportunity to check in and a QR code should be displayed at reception.</p> <p>(For Secondary School students which do have the app) We have informed all of students, to inform a member of staff if they receive a notification during the day that they had been in contact with a</p>		
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				<p>positive case. To support this, the notification itself will advise them that if they are under the age of 18, they should show the message to a trusted adult and self-isolate. The staff member will then put in place the school's agreed process, including making appropriate arrangements for the student to leave the school at the earliest opportunity to begin self-isolation.</p> <p>Where staff have downloaded the app we have advised them to turn the tracking off whilst they are work. See section 1J (Premises) re: use of QR codes and recording attendance of members of the public at lettings etc.</p>		
10) contain any outbreak by following local health protection team advice						
Containing any local outbreak	<p>Failure to follow PHE/ NHS Track and Trace procedures increases the likelihood of exposure to coronavirus in the school community.</p> <p>Anxiety and dissent within the school community</p>	Pupils and staff	Serious	<p>We note that if schools have two or more confirmed cases within 14 days, or an overall rise in sickness absence where coronavirus (COVID-19) is suspected, they may have an outbreak, and must continue to work with their local health protection team who will be able to advise if additional action is required.</p> <p>In some cases, health protection teams may recommend that a larger number of other pupils self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure – perhaps the whole site or year group. If schools are implementing controls from this list,</p>	Medium	Medium

				<p>addressing the risks they have identified and therefore reducing transmission risks, whole school closure based on cases within the school will not generally be necessary, and should not be considered except on the advice of health protection teams.</p> <p>In consultation with the local Director of Public Health, where an outbreak in a school is confirmed, a mobile testing unit may be dispatched to test others who may have been in contact with the person who has tested positive. Testing will first focus on the person's class, followed by their year group, then the whole school if necessary, in line with routine public health outbreak control practice.</p> <p>We have developed a Contingency Plan to ensure that the education of affected groups of pupils is maintained. This will include support in the use of the Trust's Home Learning Offer.</p>		
Part 2: Maintaining educational provision in the event of a local outbreak						
Maintaining contact with pupils staying at home	Safeguarding concerns are not reported; pupil/student is placed at risk.	All	Serious	<p>Concerns may become apparent during interaction in the community, online communication etc</p> <p>All school staff to be aware of arrangements in place for contacting school DSL/ Deputies during any full or partial closure period.</p>	Medium	Medium

E-Safety	Enhanced risks to pupils re: online safety resulting from increased internet exposure; working remotely without access to support from peer group and school	Pupils	Serious	School to provide information to parents and pupils re: online safety. Including encouraging parents to set up age-appropriate parental controls and internet filters as applicable. Also signposting to support available for reporting bullying and online abuse. School to make parents aware of sites they are asking their children to use and school staff their child will interact with.	Medium	Medium
	E-Safety. Inappropriate staff contact with pupils/ students	Pupils	Minor to Serious	School E-Safety Polices continue to apply. Communication must only take place through school channels approved by the senior leadership team. Staff must not make informal arrangements to contact students using their own phones/ devices etc.	Low	Low
Home visits	Injury or contamination of staff undertaking home visits. Vulnerable pupils/ students are 'missed' through lack of contact etc.	Visiting staff	Serious	Staff to follow government guidance on social distancing. Speak to families on the door step or through a window if they are self-isolating. Any home visit will be carried out by 2 members of staff subject to risk assessment associated with that home, location and family profile. School Lone Working Procedures to be followed (including the maintenance of a school contact during the visit). Where the family is self-isolating ask that the child comes to the window so that they can be seen by professionals.	Medium	Low

				If phoning families we will speak to the child as well.		
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PART 3: Arrangements for staff working from home e.g. during a local outbreak

Use of display screen equipment eg: laptop, desktop etc.	Back/neck/wrist injury from poor posture and use of equipment over a prolonged period of time.	Staff working from home	Serious	<p>We follow guidance from HSE (March 2020) as follows:</p> <p>For those people who are working at home, the risks associated with DSE must be controlled. This includes doing home workstation assessments. However, there is no increased risk from DSE work for those working at home very temporarily.</p> <p>We have provided workers with advice on completing their own basic assessment at home using: www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/ck1.pdf</p> <p>We advise staff that there are some simple steps to be taken to reduce the risks from display screen work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • breaking up long spells of DSE work with rest breaks (at least 5 minutes every hour) or changes in activity • avoiding awkward, static postures by regularly changing position • getting up and moving or doing stretching exercises • avoiding eye fatigue by changing focus or blinking from time to time. 	Low	Low
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Data protection	Data breach exposes staff or students to risk of harm. Data breach is undetected.	All	Serious	All staff have received GDPR training and are aware of their responsibilities re: use and transfer of personal data. School Data Protection Policies and Procedures apply. Staff are aware of their responsibilities for reporting a data breach to relevant staff at school. Our DPO is involved if required.	Medium	Low
Workplace stress exacerbated by social isolation.	Depression Anxiety and other forms of mental illness	Staff working from home	Serious	Opportunities are in place for regular contact from line managers and colleagues. Albeit remotely via online methods. Access to counselling services is provided through the Employee Assistance Programme. All staff have been provided with details of this for use at home.	Medium	Medium

Section 3 – ACTION PLAN

Instructions for completion

1. Any item that has a risk rating of Red or Amber in section 2 above - the right-hand risk rating column needs to be addressed in this action plan. There may be a small number of hazards where it is not possible for the school to take any further actions to reduce the risk rating below amber. In these circumstances schools need to be satisfied that they have taken all actions possible and that any further actions that would lower the risk are beyond their control. When you have completed this section, then decide and complete the box on page 2 that confirms when you will review this whole assessment. When you then review the assessment: 1. clear the review date box and 2. Move all the controls in the action plan section up into the main section to show they are now incorporated into what you do. *Now reassess and see if you can decrease the risk rating conclusions?*
2. When an item can be removed altogether (e.g. a dangerous staircase is removed) it can be deleted from section 2 but there must be a historic evidence trail (see point 4)
3. Some items are so high hazard that they will never be reduced to a risk rating lower than Medium – these must be kept in the action plan but can be

marked as addressed and all being done that is reasonably practicable.

- The original document and any changes to the Risk Assessment, over time, need to be documented for record-keeping purposes. This is especially relevant in the event of any legal claims.

What is the Hazard you need to Control? (high or amber from the risk rating column above)	What Additional Precautions do you need to either eliminate or reduce the risk to an acceptable level.	Who is Responsible for implementing these controls?	When are these controls to be implemented (Date)?	When Were these controls implemented (Date)?
HIGH item 1	None			
HIGH item 2	None			
MEDIUM item 1 Contact with infected persons/ exposure to the virus within the school.	No additional mitigation if procedures are followed appropriately.	Cleaning team, staff and students	September 2020	
MEDIUM item 2 Contact with those developing symptoms of the virus during the working day	If the procedures are followed appropriately, then risk will be mitigated. Training for the first aid team on use of PPE and safe removal will need to be repeated.	First Aid team, school.	September 2020	
MEDIUM item 3 Person contracts COVID19 as a result of inadequate cleaning	Contractors to follow procedures outlined	Cleaning team contractors	August 2020	
MEDIUM item 4 Concerns from staff in identified work groups	Individual staff with high concerns will have an individual risk assessment. Steps will be taken to discuss and reduce their	HR team and staff	August/ September 2020	

	concerns.			
MEDIUM item 5 Too many people on site increases likelihood of exposure to coronavirus	No other additional mitigation apart from that in notes			
MEDIUM item 6 Emergency Procedure -Failure to follow procedures leads to injury or loss of life	Clear emergency procedure is outlined to staff and students on first day, training in new process to be undertaken in year group bubbles during first days in September	SLT, all staff and students	September 2020	
MEDIUM item 7 Exposure to infection from inadequate social distancing	No additional mitigation can be put in place apart from good signage, reminders to students and staff. Sanctions will be used for students who cannot follow these directions, in an amendment to the Behaviour policy operating guidance.	All staff SLT HAK	September 2020	
MEDIUM item 8 Changing family circumstances likely to have an adverse effect of pupil's ability to reengage with school	Pastoral team and good communication with home and Attendance officer	Pastoral team Attendance officer	September 2020	
MEDIUM item 9 Anxiety re: coronavirus and constraints of new learning environments	Pastoral team to support students and staff to liaise with line managers and HR department	HR team Pastoral team SLT		
MEDIUM item 10	Staff returning to work will be briefed about how to conduct themselves on site and between bubbles.	HR team SLT and Line		

<p>Staff anxiety re: returning to work and potential exposure to the virus.</p>	<p>Individual staff risk assessments will be undertaken where anxiety is particularly acute.</p>	<p>managers Staff</p>		
<p>MEDIUM item 11 Failure to follow PHE/ NHS Track and Trace procedures increases the likelihood of exposure to coronavirus in the school community. Anxiety and dissent within the school community</p>	<p>No additional mitigation to be undertaken other than in notes.</p>	<p>HR team</p>	<p>September 2020</p>	
<p>MEDIUM item 12 Maintaining contact with pupils staying at home</p>	<p>Pastoral support will maintain contact with these students.</p>	<p>Pastoral team</p>	<p>September 2020</p>	
<p>MEDIUM item 13 Enhanced risks to pupils re: online safety resulting from increased internet exposure; working remotely without access to support from peer group and school</p>	<p>Maintenance of sending advice and guidance to parents/ students via internal and social media platforms. Recording of concerns via CPOMS</p>	<p>Pastoral team All staff</p>	<p>September 2020</p>	

<p>MEDIUM item 14</p> <p>Workplace stress exacerbated by social isolation</p>	<p>Maintenance of contact with school will be a priority as per the comments.</p>	<p>Line managers and SLT</p>	<p>September 2020</p>	
<p>MEDIUM item 15</p> <p>Failure to use face covering in areas where it is difficult to maintain social distancing increases the likelihood of exposure to coronavirus in the school community.</p>	<p>Letters to parents and students have indicated how facial coverings are to be used.</p> <p>Students are reminded by staff when leaving classrooms into corridors.</p>	<p>SLT via letters</p> <p>All staff</p>	<p>September 2020</p> <p>September 2020</p>	
<p>MEDIUM item 16</p> <p>Students/ staff do not have face covering.</p> <p>Face covering is damaged or otherwise unsuitable for use</p>	<p>Spare facial coverings are available for students without them.</p> <p>Parents/ carers will be contacted if this is a persistent issue.</p>	<p>All staff</p> <p>HOH/ Pastoral team</p>	<p>September 2020</p> <p>As and when it occurs.</p>	
<p>MEDIUM item 17</p> <p>Students, staff or visitors exempt from wearing a face covering</p>	<p>A full list is available for all staff to see.</p> <p>They will then ensure they can socially distance from these students or wear a mask if going within 2 metres.</p>	<p>Pastoral team</p> <p>All staff</p>	<p>September 2020</p>	

MEDIUM item 18 Potential of contamination if face coverings are removed or disposed of incorrectly	Covered bins are in every classroom and outside space – reminders will be needed to get students and staff to dispose carefully of the face masks.	SLT and all staff	September 2020	
Medium item 19 Open windows in the winter months mean that the temperature in buildings is uncomfortable.	Heating has been turned on earlier than usual and staff and parents informed of this. Mitigation with closing outside doors has occurred.	All staff	October 2020	

References: Describe what standards are being applied (such as HSE Approved code of practice or Design and technology association training course guidance etc.) other supporting material. This can of course include the MAT/Establishment's own policies and guidance. For major risk assessments notes of consultation or other discussion may also be useful.

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Information to Aid the completion of the Risk Assessment format

Table 1: Definitions

Potential Severity of Harm	Meaning of the harm description	Likelihood of Harm	Meaning of likelihood
Fatal/Major Injury	Death, major injuries or ill health causing long term	High (frequent)	Occurs repeatedly/ to be

	disability/absence from work.		expected.
Serious Injury	Injuries or ill health causing short-term disability/absences from work (over three days absence)	Medium (possible)	Moderate chance/could occur sometimes.
Minor Injury	Injuries or ill health causing no significant long-term effects and no significant absence from work.	Low (unlikely)	Not Likely to occur

Table 2: Risk rating matrix: **Potential severity of Harm** + **Likelihood of Harm** = Risk rating

	+ High (Likely)	+ Medium (Possible)	+ Low (Improbable)
Fatal/Major Injury	VERY HIGH Risk	HIGH Risk	MEDIUM Risk
Serious Injury	HIGH Risk	MEDIUM Risk	LOW Risk
Minor Injury	MEDIUM Risk	LOW Risk	No Significant Risk

Table 3: Action required: Key to Ranking and what action to take.

VERY HIGH Risk	STOP ACTIVITY! Take action to reassess the work/activity and apply reduction hierarchy before proceeding.
HIGH Risk	Action MUST be taken as soon as possible to reduce the risks and before activity is allowed to continue.
MEDIUM Risk	Implement all additional precautions that are not unreasonably costly or troublesome and monitor the situation on an agreed frequency.
LOW Risk	Monitor and review your rolling programme.



1: J Premises						
Preparation of school building	Failure to complete compliance checks renders the building unfit for use.	All premises occupants	Serious	<p>We will ensure that all outlets have been flushed before resuming normal operation. Following this, we have commissioned a water treatment specialist to test the system, which we anticipate will present no problems. If it does, they will chlorinate and flush the complete system for all hot and cold-water systems (including drinking water) and certify the water system is safe before the buildings are reoccupied. Allow sufficient time for this activity, approx. 1 week before opening if possible.</p> <p>All systems have been recommissioned before re-opening, as would normally be done after a long holiday period. This includes gas, heating, water supply, mechanical and electrical systems, and catering equipment.</p> <p>Our fire safety systems have been checked including and making sure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all fire doors are operational • the fire alarm system and emergency lights are operational <p>All areas and surfaces have been cleaned and disinfected prior to reopening and if necessary, pest control deployed for insect infestations, particularly in the kitchen and/or food</p>	Low	Low



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				<p>preparation areas. The kitchen has been deep cleaned too prior to reopening and before food preparation resumes.</p> <p>See: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-school-premises-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak?utm_source=c51bac38-4a28-4136-b096-4d23f07da6f4&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=daily</p>		
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1: K Curriculum delivery: Music and PE						
Curriculum delivery: Music	Increased likelihood of infection from coronavirus from playing musical instruments and singing.	Pupils and staff		<p>We will reduce the risk of transmission by physical distancing and playing outside wherever possible.</p> <p>No peripatetic music lessons within the school day.</p> <p>There will be no shared instruments. Singing, wind and brass playing should not take place in larger groups such as school choirs and ensembles, or school assemblies.</p> <p>Further more detailed DfE guidance will be published shortly.</p>	Low	Low



<p>Curriculum delivery: Physical Education</p>	<p>Increased likelihood of infection from coronavirus</p>	<p>Pupils and staff</p>	<p>Serious</p>	<p>Pupils will be kept in consistent groups, sports equipment thoroughly cleaned between each use by different individual groups, and contact sports avoided.</p> <p>Outdoor sports should be prioritised where possible, and large indoor spaces used where it is not, maximising distancing between pupils and paying scrupulous attention to cleaning and hygiene. This is particularly important in a sports setting because of the way in which people breathe during exercise. External facilities can also be used in line with government guidance for the use of, and travel to and from, those facilities.</p> <p>Schools should refer to the following advice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • guidance on the phased return of sport and recreation and guidance from Sport England for grassroots sport • advice from organisations such as the Association for Physical Education and the Youth Sport Trust <p>Schools are able to work with external coaches, clubs and organisations for curricular and extra-curricular activities where they are satisfied that this is safe to do so. Schools should consider carefully how such arrangements can operate within their wider protective measures.</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Low</p>
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				Students will wear PE kits on PE days to avoid changing.		
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1:N Afterschool and breakfast clubs						
Afterschool and Breakfast Clubs	Arrangements for infection control, social distancing etc are not practised at Breakfast and Afterschool Club thus increasing the risk of infection within the school community.	All members of the school community	Serious	<p>We will consider how this provision will work alongside our wider protective measures, including keeping children within their year groups or bubbles where possible. If it is not possible to maintain bubbles being used during the school day then we will use small, consistent groups.</p> <p>As with physical activity during the school day, contact sports should not take place.</p>	N/A	N/A



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(Added 19/5) Appendix A: Overview of scientific advice and information on coronavirus (COVID-19) published on 15 May 2020

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/885631/Overview_of_scientific_advice_and_information_on_coronavirus_COVID19.pdf