# **Foulds**

# Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan September 2021

When should my child self-isolate or miss school?



All children MUST attend school unless they are ill.





- If a member of their household or a contact, has Covid, they will need to book a PCR test and must wait for a negative test result before coming into school. PLEASE NOTE THIS IS BARNET PUBLIC HEALTH'S ADVICE.
- If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at home</u> and should book a PCR test, <u>NOT</u> a Lateral Flow test.
- If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test.
- If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household should self-isolate until they have a negative PCR test.

### Community Covid Risk

## Description

#### **Actions**



Low Community
Transmission. No School
Cases.

- There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school days.
- Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable.
- Hospitalisation/ Deaths due to Covid nationally are low.

No Covid measures are necessary beyond:

- Reminding children of good hand-hygiene.
- Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical.
- Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test).

Staff will continue to test themselves using Lateral flow tests until next review (end of Sept).



Rapidly Rising Community
Transmission

- No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but...
- Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.
- Barnet Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave.
- Ventilation of classrooms increased & hand-washing supervised.
- Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced.
- Staff-room capacity is reduced.
- Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Line-Manager to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/ groups).

#### **Number of Cases:**

### **Description:**

#### **Actions:**



A single child tests Positive

- A single child tests positive for Covid in a class.
- There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group.
- No other year groups are affected.
- The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it.
- The parents of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts.
- Likely contacts will be contacted by NHS Track & Trace and advised to book a PCR Test.
- Children do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for the result of the PCR test unless they have Covid Symptoms.



5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.

<u>OR</u>

3 children or staff in a single Class/ Club within 10 days. There have been 5
 cases of Covid across a
 year group within 10
 days which could mean
 that Covid is spreading
 within that group of

children.

- As above for each positive case.
- The school will discuss the outbreak with Barnet Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures for 10 school days, including:
  - Staff face masks for corridors & communal areas.
  - Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.
  - Reverting to online gatherings/assemblies in classrooms.
  - Reducing the amount of classes staff work across.
  - Staggered lunches for Phase bubble affected.
  - Re-introducing Phase bubble.
  - Twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing.



Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.

- Despite the measures indicated above, Covid cases within the school continue to rise within a 10 day period with multiple classes and staff affected, suggesting that Covid is spreading widely throughout the school.
- Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and Barnet Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10 school days</u>, including:
  - o All Phases to bubble.
  - o Reverting to staggered lunches for all.
  - Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.
  - Postponing all non-essential events.
  - Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered.

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

IF the outbreak is across the school we will revert back to staggered entry and exit times.

Provisional staggered entry times and home times would be:

PHASE	ENTRY	HOMETIME
EYFS	8:30	3:00
KS1	9:00	3:30
LKS2	8:50	3:20
UKS2	8:40	3:10