






# Colindale Primary School




Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan

September 2021



<p><b>When should my child self-isolate or miss school?</b></p> 	 <b>NO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>All children MUST attend school unless they are ill.</b></li> <li>• <b>From 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, children under 18 (or double-vaccinated adults) do not need to self-isolate or miss school if a member of their household or a contact, has Covid.</b></li> <li>• <b>Instead, they will need to book a PRC test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.</b></li> </ul>
	 <b>YES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at home</u> and should book a PRC test), <u>NOT</u> a Lateral Flow test.</b></li> <li>• <b>If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PRC test.</b></li> <li>• <b>If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated – but instead should book a PRC test.</b></li> </ul>

Community Covid Risk	Description	Actions
 <b>Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school days.</li> <li>• Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable.</li> <li>• Hospitalisation/ Deaths due to Covid nationally are low.</li> </ul>	<p>No Covid measures are necessary beyond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reminding children of good hand-hygiene &amp; hand-washing supervised.</li> <li>• Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical.</li> <li>• Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test).</li> </ul> <p>Staff will continue to test themselves using Lateral flow tests until the end of September.</p>
 <b>Rapidly Rising Community Transmission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but...</li> <li>• Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.</li> <li>• Barnet Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ventilation of classrooms increased</li> <li>• Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced e.g. during class assemblies</li> <li>• Staff-room and work-room capacity is reduced.</li> <li>• Numbers of parents coming into school is restricted.</li> </ul>

Number of cases	Description	Action
 <p><b>A single child tests Positive</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A single child tests positive for Covid in a class.</li> <li>• There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group.</li> <li>• No other year groups are affected.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The child self-isolates for 10 days.</li> <li>• Parents inform school.</li> <li>• Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete.</li> <li>• The parents of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts.</li> <li>• Likely contacts will be contacted by NHS Track &amp; Trace and advised to book at PRC Test.</li> <li>• <b>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.</b></li> </ul>
 <p><b>3 children or staff within a class test positive within 10 days of each other.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There have been 3 cases of Covid in a class within 10 days which could mean that Covid is spreading within that class of children.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>As above for each positive case.</b></li> <li>• The school will discuss the outbreak with Barnet Public Health/DFE and agree strengthening protective measures <u>for 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Re-introducing staff face masks for corridors &amp; communal areas.</li> <li>○ Adapting, Limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.</li> <li>○ Reverting to video-link Assemblies in classrooms.</li> <li>○ Reducing the amount of classes staff work across.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
 <p><b>Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and Barnet Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10 school days</u>, which <b>could</b> include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Re-introducing class bubbles.</li> <li>○ Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.</li> <li>○ Postponing all non-essential events.</li> <li>○ Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>The school will inform parents of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed.</p>		