











Castlewood School

Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan – Sept 2021: Updated Jan 2022 & February 2022

When should my child self-isolate or miss school?	 NO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All children MUST attend school unless they are ill. • From 24th February 2022, children and adults do not need to self-isolate or miss school if a member of their household or a contact, has Covid and can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms.
	 YES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your child tests positive for COVID, Day 0, they should <u>not come to school</u> and complete a daily LFD test from Day 5 onwards, until they have had two consecutive negative results. • The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate and can continue as normal so long as they have no symptoms.

Community Covid Risk	Description	Actions
 Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>No Covid measures are necessary beyond:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing. • Reminding children of good hand-hygiene. • Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical. • Ensuring Children / Staff stay at home if they have tested Positive for Covid.
 Rapidly Rising Community Transmission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Solihull/Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local / national infection wave. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ventilation of classrooms increased. • Hand-washing supervised. • Staff-room capacity is reduced. • Lower/Upper school assemblies are stopped. • Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Line-Managers to review their individual risk assessment & discuss additional protection (e.g. reduction in movement between classes / groups).

Number of Cases:	Description:	Actions:
 <p>A single child tests Positive</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A single child tests positive for Covid in a class. • There are fewer than 5 cases in Lower/Upper School. • No other classes are affected. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The child does NOT come into school and completes a daily LFD test from Day 5 onwards, until they have had two consecutive negative results. • Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it.
 <p>5 children/staff within Lower/Upper school test positive within 10 days of each other.</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>3 children/staff in a single class within 10 days.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been 5 cases of Covid across Lower/Upper school within 10 days which could mean that Covid is spreading within that group of children. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As above for each positive case. • The school will discuss the outbreak with Solihull Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures <u>for 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances. • Reducing the amount of classes staff work across. • If staffing levels result in operational safety concerns then re-introduction of remote learning for individual classes for up to 10 school days is considered.
 <p>Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and Solihull Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a further 10 school days</u>, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Limiting all non-essential visitors to school. ○ Postponing all non-essential events. ○ Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for up to 10 school days considered.

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