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| **The Meadows School** Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan – Sept. 2021 |  |

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| **When should my child self-isolate or miss school?** | **NO** | * **All children MUST attend school unless they are ill.** * **From 16th 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.** * **Instead, they will need to book a PCR test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.** |
| Check Mark PNG High Quality Image | PNG All  **YES** | * **If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test, NOT 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 does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated – but instead should book a PCR test.** |

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| **Community**  **Covid Risk** | **Description** | **Actions** |
| House Icon Flat Design minimalist flatdesign icon portrait work illustration art vexel vector illustrator  **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 the end of September. |
| City icon night illustration vector icon city  **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. * Staffordshire LOC/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. * Whole-school assemblies are replaced with Key Stage assemblies. * Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Line-Managers 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:** |
| Person Icon  **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 as outlined [here](https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/rocklands-school/UploadedDocument/aff91c4cf69c497990cc5e0aac0f3310/providing-remote-education-information-for-parents-and-carers-jan-2021.pdf) * 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 at PCR Test. The school will contact parents to advise this if close contacts are known. * **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.** |
| People group avatar character Royalty Free Vector Image  **5 children or staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.**  **OR**  **3 children or staff in a single Class/ Club**  **(or Resource Base) 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 Staffordshire LOC/ Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures for 10 school days, including:   + Re-introducing staff face masks for corridors & communal areas.   + Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.   + Reverting to video-link Assemblies in classrooms.   + Reducing the amount of classes staff work across.   + Resuming twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing. |
| Flat society members with a large group men Vector Image  **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 Staffordshire Public Health/LOC to agree further measures, for a further 10 school days, including:   + Re-introducing class bubbles.   + Reverting to class-based school lunches.   + Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.   + Postponing all non-essential events.   + **Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days considered, as outlined** [**here**](https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/rocklands-school/UploadedDocument/aff91c4cf69c497990cc5e0aac0f3310/providing-remote-education-information-for-parents-and-carers-jan-2021.pdf) |

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