

Update: Public health advice to minimise risk

Theme	Guidance
a requirement that people who are ill stay at home and response to positive cases	Ensuring that students and staff do not come into school if they have COVID-19 symptoms - high temperature, a new, continuous cough and a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste; or have tested positive in the last 7-10 days. Ensuring that anyone developing these symptoms during the school day is sent home. If staff or students have any of the main symptoms of Covid-19 they should order a PCR test and stay at home and avoid contact with other people while they wait for the test result. If they test positive, they should continue to stay at home and avoid contact with other people and order LFD tests. The day their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) is day 0. They should take a LFD test on day 5 and this should be followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to school, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature. They can return to school on day 11 even with a positive lateral flow. Staff and students who live with someone who has Covid-19 should continue to attend school as normal. Parents can inform us of positive students using covid-19@durring.com and staff will report using absence procedures. Work will be available on Google classroom for students and companies can support in accessing this.
robust hand hygiene	Ensure that students clean their hands regularly with soap and running water or hand sanitiser when they arrive at school, when they return from breaks, when they change rooms and before and after eating.
use of face coverings for students and staff	Face coverings are no longer recommended but can be worn as a personal choice. This will be reviewed in response to a significant increase in cases or upon further guidance from the DFE or local health protection teams.
robust respiratory hygiene	Ensure enough tissues and bins available in the school to support students and staff to follow the "catch it, bin it, Kill it" approach.
always keeping occupied spaces well ventilated.	Increased ventilation levels in classrooms in school without compromising thermal comfort. We will ask all staff to have at least one window open in their teaching base. We have CO2 monitors which we are using in classrooms to raise awareness of staff about how much ventilation is required. Students will be encouraged to go outside at breaks when conditions are favourable. Assemblies will take place in well ventilated spaces.
enhanced cleaning arrangements	We have in place a cleaning schedule that ensures cleaning is generally enhanced and includes: more frequent cleaning of rooms/ shared area that are used by different groups; frequently touched surfaces being cleaned more than normal. We will follow up to date guidance from Public Health England for cleaning non-healthcare settings.
LFT Testing	Lateral flow asymptomatic testing will no longer be required. The school will no longer be providing lateral flow tests.
Return to online learning	Where staff absence levels remain too high to safely supervise all students on site we will move to online and live lessons for one or more year groups. We will notify parents/ carers when their child will need to work remotely. We will notify the local public health protection team when this is the case.