

RISK ASSESSMENT FORM

Assessor's Name (Print):	Barney Thornton / Anjela Jay	Dept:	Whole School
Activity and Location:	Overarching COVID-19 (and other infectious diseases) Generic RA – Generic RA-27	Date:	25 April 2022
		Review Date:	September 2022

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	Control Measure / Action (measures taken to reduce the risk)	Comments/ Actions	Residual Risk Rating Low / medium / high
COVID-19 infection	Staff, pupils and visitors Infection control for COVID-19 Also relevant for other viral illnesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID 19: Public health advice has been updated and it is now combined with advice about other respiratory illnesses such as cold and flu • The advice says children with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting • If pupils are unwell and have a high temperature, they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature • Negative COVID-19 tests are not required to return to school • It is not recommended that children are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional, however if a test has been taken with a positive result, pupils should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days - The pupil can return to school 3 days after the positive result, as long as they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend • Adults testing positive for COVID-19 should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days after the day the test was taken 		L

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Routine contact tracing ended on 24th February. If there is a respiratory illness in the household, family members are no longer required to self-isolate or advised to take a daily test. Children should continue to attend school, but may choose to wear a face covering and should be encouraged to cover their mouth and nose with a disposable tissue when coughing and/or sneezing and to wash their hands after using or disposing of tissues 		
Unsatisfactory hand and/or respiratory hygiene practices	<p>Staff, pupils and visitors</p> <p>Infection control for COVID-19 and other viral and bacterial illnesses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plentiful supplies of tissues and hand sanitiser are available in all classrooms Pupils should be encouraged to cover their mouth and nose with a disposable tissue when coughing and/or sneezing and to wash their hands after using or disposing of tissues Sufficient hand washing facilities are available with hot and cold running water, soap and paper towels for drying (with lidded bins available for disposal) Everyone is advised to washing hands regularly for a minimum of 20 seconds with soap. As a minimum, pupils will wash their hands or use sanitiser upon arrival at the school, after breaktimes, before eating, after using the toilet and after blowing their nose Hand washing facilities to be cleaned and checked regularly Pupils are instructed to cough or sneeze into their inner elbow and use a tissue to cover their mouths and noses where possible, disposing of the tissue in lidded bins Younger pupils and those with complex needs are supported to ensure they can adopt good hygiene practices Pupils are supervised, where appropriate, when using hand sanitiser to ensure they do not ingest any 		L
Inadequate cleaning of the school	<p>Staff, pupils and visitors</p> <p>Infection control</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All hard surfaces to be cleaned on a regular basis All classrooms will have spray disinfectant and, where possible, disposable cloths. Cleaning substances are to be stored well out of 		L

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	Regular and effective cleaning of surfaces will reduce the risk of spreading bacteria and viruses	<p>reach of all pupils. If disposable cloths are not available cleaning cloths should be used washed regularly</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared equipment to be cleaned regularly - this will be the responsibility of all staff, not just cleaning staff • Parents are asked to provide their child with a water bottle for use in school, which can be refilled using the designated potable water facilities 		
Poor ventilation in classrooms or offices	Staff, pupils and visitors infection control and improving air quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify any poorly ventilated spaces and take steps to improve the fresh air flow • Where appropriate, open external windows, internal doors and external doors to improve natural ventilation – or ‘purge’ the air at breaktimes and lunchtimes by opening all doors and windows for a short period of time • The need for increased ventilation should be balanced with the consideration of maintaining a comfortable temperature especially during colder winter months 		L
Inadequate First Aid, Nursing Provision or related equipment	Staff, pupils and visitors Infection control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First aid kits are always equipped with appropriate PPE for the purposes of infection control, including plentiful gloves and plastic aprons • The Nurses’ room is equipped with an isolation area to ensure that pupils awaiting collection with suspected contagious conditions can be separated from other individuals • Hygiene measures in place in the Nurses’ room 		L
Lack of awareness of policies and procedures	Staff, pupils and visitors Infection control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff, parents, governors, visitors and volunteers are aware of all relevant policies and procedures. • The school keeps up to date with advice issued by relevant organisations 		L

Reviewed and approved by	Date
Marcus Cook, Headmaster	26/03/2022
Barney Thornton, School Business Manager	26/03/2022
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Review after the event

Any follow up or comments to consider or general points of safety?
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