COVID19: Full Opening Risk Assessment and Action Plan

Sheering CE Primary School



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Purpose of this document:

This COVID19: Risk Assessment and Action Plan document sets out the decisions taken and measures put in place to prepare for the full opening of the school and ensure the school continues to operate in a safe way.

Existing policies and guidance continue to apply alongside the actions within this document, including but not limited to:

- Health and Safety Policy
- First Aid Policy
- Child Protection Policies
- CYP Response Plan
- DFE Guidance relating to COVID19
- Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (RIDDOR) 2013
- The Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010
- Public Health England (PHE) (2017) 'Health protection in schools and other childcare facilities'

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Theme	Control Measures	Risk to Implementation	Risk Level Pre-Action	Action Required / Decision Made	Action Completed Date	Risk Level Post-Action
Preparing Buildings and Facilities	Premises and utilities have been health and safety checked and building is compliant. • Water treatments • Fire alarm testing • Repairs • Grass cutting • PAT testing • Fridges and freezers • Boiler/ heating servicing • Internet services • Any other statutory inspections • Insurance covers reopening arrangements • Food order to be completed • Inform school milk and fruit that we will be open			Determine with the catering staff / school meals service how left over frozen food should be dealt with and action as appropriate.		
	Office spaces re-designed to allow office-based staff to work safely.			Office staff desks repositioned. Staff working from home until necessary. Only essential cover on site.	20/05/20	
	Entry and exit routes to the school are in place, any physical changes and/or signage required to allow social distancing are in place.	Bottlenecks likely at entrance to school. Social distancing unlikely to be maintained.		2-meter markers are present on floors. One way system in place to enter and exit the school. Signage in place.		

	Consideration given to the	Children using the hall when food deliveries are made.		Drop off and pick up times staggered to reduce bottlenecks. Parents to be notified not to come into the school office-online payments encouraged. Food deliveries to be brought through the hall if clear. Children to be		
	arrangements for any deliveries.			moved until delivery made.		
Emergency Evacuations	 Evacuation routes are confirmed, and signage accurately reflects these. NB In the event of emergency the priority is getting out of the building calmly regardless of social distancing. Arrangements in place to support individuals with reduced mobility including cover arrangements in the case of reduced numbers of staff. 		L	Revisit evacuation procedure and share with all staff and children (AC) Fire drill.	L	
Cleaning and waste disposal	Enhanced cleaning regime is in place in line with <u>COVID19: Cleaning in non</u> <u>healthcare settings guidance.</u>			Enhanced cleaning schedule implemented throughout the site, ensuring that contact points, worksurfaces, door handles, taps etc. are all thoroughly cleaned and disinfected regularly. Hand towels and handwash are to be		

		Children not knowing how to dispose of tissues or risk of touching bins and walking to the bins.		checked and replaced as needed by AC and cleaning staff daily Enhanced cleaning regime for toilet facilities particularly door handles, locks and toilet flush. Lunch staff to clean work- stations after lunch and communal areas such as door handles, locks, taps, light switches etc Individual 'bins' placed on children's work-stations and cleaned each afternoon by teaching staff.	
	of cleaning staff is adequate e enhanced cleaning regime.				
facilities place. Arranger	e cleaning supplies and around the school are in ments for longer-term Il supplies are also in place.	No hand sanitiser for visitors to reception. Classrooms do not have tissues. Low supply of soap.	М	Hand sanitiser available at the both school entrances Adequate bins in classrooms. Disposable tissues on each desk and in classrooms to implement	L

				the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach Stock check carried out daily by office staff, ordering schedule reviewed and order made (ZS).		
	Sufficient time is available for the enhanced cleaning regime to take place.		Μ	After assigned cleaning completed, all staff advised to leave the site by 3pm in order for deep cleaning to be undertaken.		L
	Waste disposal process in place for potentially contaminated waste.			Waste bags and containers - kept closed and stored separately from communal waste for 72 hours Waste collections made when the minimum number of persons are on site (i.e. after normal opening hours).		
Classrooms	The number of staff and CYP that can use each room at any one time has been determined according to the physical capacity of the school site. NB: up to 15 per group.	Do the KW children have to be kept in a separate hub?		Measure classrooms and other available rooms to assess capacity for staff and pupils: Copeland class: 11 Durrington class: 11 Fitzwalter class: 11	June 29 th as distancing measures are being relaxed, and extra measures in class being maintained (visors, handwashing and temperature taken every day) risk assessment increased to 10 or 11 children.	

			Quickbury class: 10	
			Calcibury eldss. 10	
Classrooms have been re/arranged to allow as much space between individuals as practical.			Desks arranged into work- stations with all immediate resources on the table.	
Classroom entry and exit routes have been determined and appropriate signage in place.			Staggered drop off and pick up times to reduce amount of people in one place. Children remain in seats until called for when leaving.	
Appropriate resources are available within all classrooms e.g. IT, age specific resources. NB: sharing of equipment or stationery should be prevented where possible. Shared materials and	Pencil cases brought in from home?	L	Copeland class resources (small world, Lego, dinosaurs etc) to be used on a rota basis of no less than 8 days.	
surfaces should be cleaned and disinfected more frequently [source: protective measures guidance].	Soft toys, cushions and beanbags in classroom B not easily washable.		Remove soft furnishings from all classrooms. Parents asked to provide a small blanket or pillow for time to connect.	
Resources which are not easily washable or wipeable have been be removed.	No COVID19 information posters currently in place. Limited reminders/ awareness	Μ	e-Bug posters to be displayed: • <u>Horrid hands</u> • <u>Super sneezes</u>	
Information posters are displayed in every classroom, at the main entrance, places visible to those at the school gate, in the staffroom and in all toilets.	for children.	L	 <u>Hand hygiene</u> <u>Respiratory hygiene</u> <u>Microbe mania</u> 	

	Staff mental-wellbeing The teachers have continued to work from March 20 th when school was partially closed without any break.	Staff are physically and mentally tired and do not return after half term. Staff resign during half term.		Reduction of workload one day a week. Half term holiday secured. Rota gives PPA and shared responsibility for safety of the children and delivery of the curriculum at home and at school (LB).	
Staffing	Staffing numbers required for entire eligible cohort have been determined including support staff such as facilities, IT, midday and office/admin staff. Including at least one of the following: • Paediatric First aider (where children under 3yrs) • Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) • SENCO • Caretaker/site member Office staff member	The staff who have been in school supporting the KW children since lockdown become ill, go off with stress or develop symptoms of CV Senior management all become ill at the same time	Н	Staff audit completed re available to work on-site from 1st June Staff rota to be completed before June 1 st to ensure the workload is distributed evenly and staff kept in their working pods. Rota ensures that SLT are not in at the same time and the same for office staff or staff who can prepare food.	
	Approach to staff absence reporting and recording in place. All staff aware.				
	Arrangements for staff who are working from home are in place (including those shielded, clinically vulnerable and/or living with someone in these groups).			Expectations of staff working at home re- established (LB).	

Communication arrang place with those staff in continuing to suppo of the school is clear.	nd their role		
Plans to respond to ind sickness levels are in p Cover arrangements d (including leaders and designated leads) – on rather than daily basis contacts.	ace. etermined safeguarding a weekly arc both	Government guidelines to be followed if staff have symptoms of CV. Rotas to be updated on a weekly basis. If not enough staff to safely cover pods (i.e. no SLT, no DSL etc), then the school will close.	
Consideration given to expectations and infor with staff to ensure clo easily washable (e.g. n	mation shared thes worn are Staff wearing full PPE get too	Clothing consideration given to staff who need to wear full PPE but expectations of dress remain for all staff i.e. no jeans etc	
Approaches for meetir training in place.	gs and staff	Short Zoom meeting every week for all staff after school has closed at 2pm.	
Consideration given to and responsibilities wi the continued remote alongside in-school pro	h regards to related illnesses for teachers provision who have a dual age group to	LSAs to take over distance learning for Year R, Year 2 and Year 5.	
Consideration given to for redeployment of s the effective working If redeployment is taki are aware of controls a in respect of tasks they unfamiliar with.	aff to support of the school. TA s are required to lead some groups as not enough teachers on site to cover numbers.		

Approach to support wellbeing, mental health and resilience in place, including bereavement support How staff are supported to follow this within their own situations and that of pupils and colleagues is clear.		Staff are aware of available support and advice for schools and pupils available from ECC, including the Educational Psychology service <u>https://schools.essex.gov.</u> <u>uk/admin/COVID-</u> <u>19/Pages/default.aspx</u> The Bereavement Policy has been reviewed to ensure it reflects current circumstances and arrangements (LB)		
Arrangements for accessing testing, if and when necessary, are in place. Staff are clear on returning to work guidance.	Staff are not able to access testing.	Staff already aware of procedure they have to follow if they have symptoms of CV and the guidance to follow on returning to work.	Guidance emailed to staff on June 1 st 2020	
The approach for inducting new starters has been reviewed and updated in line with current situation.	Children and families unable to visit due to distancing and cleaning requirements.	LB contacted the LA for advice in delaying the start until later in September. No answer as yet (01.07.20)		
Return to school procedures are clear for all staff.	Staff are not reading emails or following procedures that have been set.	Staff to be updated regularly with emails and phone calls if no response to emails.		
Any staff contracts that need to be issued, extended or amended considering the current situation have been.				
Any HR processes that were in-train prior to or put on hold due to the				

	COVID19 emergency, have been appropriately resolved.				
	Arrangements in place for any visitors/ contractors on site, protocols and expectations shared. NB: Their employer may require them to wear PPE. This should be documented as part of the risk assessment carried out by the Contractor.		Check with the contractor any requirements their employer has specified before visit. Share school protocols. Contract work to be carried out when the children and staff are not in the building unless absolutely urgent. Parents will not be allowed on site at all. All correspondence must be by email, phone or through online payments.		
	Arrangements in place for any externally employed adults delivering learning in school e.g. sports coaches, music tutors, forest school leaders. Protocols and expectations shared.		Music lessons via Zoom or Teams. Share amended procedures, obtain their assessments outlining controls, e.g. only offering limited activities which maintain distancing, all equipment stringently cleaned.		
Group Sizes	All children are included in distinct groups/ 'bubbles' that do not mix and the number of children in each bubble is as small as possible.	Shared toilets for KS2 children.	Try to limit toilet use to certain times of the day. Break and lunch times are different for the two classes.	07.09.20 Toilets changed to Fitwalter and Quickbury (rather than boys and girls) to avoid cross	

	Staffing allocations to groups determined, including consistency.	Staff numbers decrease	LSAs to cover wherever possible but teaching agency can be contacted.	contamination and extra cleaning throughout the day.	
Social Distancing	 Arrangements for social distancing in place to consider: Staggered school drop off/pick up times and locations (if possible) without reducing teaching time Staggered or limited amounts of moving around the school/ corridors Staggered or limited amounts of moving around the school/ corridors Classroom design Break and lunch times are staggered. Plans for social distancing during these times in place, such as when queuing for lunches Toilet arrangements 		*drop off and pick up at staggered time for classes. *Rota needed for Computer Suite (NB) *Pods recommended to stay in one place including lunch. *Break time and lunch to be staggered and on the school field to reduce injuries at play. *Toilet breaks allowed throughout the day to reduce queueing at break times.		
	Information shared with parents regarding pupils travelling to school, encouraging walking and avoiding public transport as much as possible.				
	Approach to avoiding children and young people entering school congregating and breaching social distancing is in place.		On arrival, students move straight to "pod", wash hands and sit at named		

		table, wait for rest of class to arrive/class to begin.	
Approach to potential breaches of social distancing in place, including in the case of repeat or deliberate breaches.	Children repeatedly leaving their work station.	Children reminded of social distancing and how they are doing it to prevent spreading CV to their families or other staff. Handwashing and cleaning (if needed) Conversations with parents and removed from school for the day if necessary Risks assessments and individualised approach in place for students who might struggle to follow expectations	
Approach to assemblies – if still occurring, plan in place to manage social distancing.	Currently assemblies are cancelled. Bringing all children together for assembly would breach the bubble arrangements.	Collective worship to happen in their classrooms every day Collective Worship is delivered via Teams every day. Children remain in classrooms.	
Social distancing plans communicated with parents, including approach to breaches.	Parents not following the one way system.	Expectations laid out in the letter to parents. Home- school agreement? LB and AC on playground every morning.	
Arrangements in place for the use of the playground, including equipment. NB: outdoor equipment should not		Outdoor equipment not to be used. Children encouraged to bring their bike or scooter to school	

	be used unless it is appropriately cleaned between groups of children and young people using it, and that multiple groups do not use it simultaneously.			for exercise and fun at break times.	
	Social distancing amongst the children.	Younger children unable to keep their distance from others or children needing some TLC.		Dedicated 'nurse' to administer first aid and TLC where needed. Children provided with visors and masks. Lessons happen outside wherever possible.	
Transport	Information shared with parents regarding pupils travelling to school, encouraging walking and avoiding public transport as much as possible.				
	Dedicated school transport follows the grouping/ bubble arrangement in line with the protocols in school, as much as possible.				
	Support in place for CYP who have no alternative, to access public transport safely, adhering to social distancing protocols where possible.				
	Arrangements in place with transport providers to support any staggered start/end times.				
Catering	Arrangements in place to provide food to CYP on site, including the requirement of universal free school meals.	School kitchen has been closed.	М	Liaise with catering team re availability to work. Re-open kitchen to provide cold meals for children.	L

		All catering staff shielding, unable to return to work onsite from 1 st June.	н	Lunch eaten at workstations in classrooms. LSAs and office staff to provide lunch. Liaise with neighbouring schools regarding meals Redeployment of other members of staff.	L
	Arrangements for the continued provision of FSMs for children not attending school are in place.			Diary note made to revisit FSM provision every week.	
	Arrangements for when and where each group will take lunch (and snack time if necessary) are in place so that children do not mix with children from other groups.			Lunch sitting A (C&D) time: 11:45-12:30 location: Hall Lunch sitting B (Q&KW) time: 12:15-1:00	
	Arrangements for food deliveries in place			See earlier note.	
PPE	PPE requirements understood and appropriate supplies in place. Long term approach to obtaining adequate PPE supplies in place.	Preventative and protective equipment hard to source.		Preventative and protective equipment supplies checked every day and recorded levels (ZS to devise chart)	
		Refusal to wear PPE by staff or children.		Remind staff and children it is not just their safety	

		but the safety of others. Give staff government guidelines to reread. Contact parents of the refuser and take home for the rest of that day after being put in isolation.	
Response to suspected/ confirmed case of COVID19 in school	 Approach to confirmed COVID19 cases in place: during school day Which staff member/s should be informed/ take action Area established to be used if an individual is displaying symptoms during the school day and needs to be isolated Cleaning procedure in place Arrangements for informing parent community in place 	Temperature taken of staff and children every morning.Latest update 16.09.20 Parents also received guidance in what to do if their child displaying symptoms, isolate immediately (Reflection room) and parents contacted. Procedures then followed according to government guidelines.Latest update 16.09.20 Parents also received guidance in what to do if their child is unwell.If child displaying symptoms, isolate immediately (Reflection room) and parents contacted. Procedures then followed according to government guidelines.Contact relevant parents if necessary.	
	 Approach to confirmed COVID19 cases in place: outside of school hours Approach to relocating CYP away from certain parts of the school to clean, if possible 	Action to be taken immediately with parents being informed as soon as possible.	

	 Cleaning procedure in place Arrangements for informing parent community in place Process in place to engage with the Test and Trace and contract tracing process. Refer to ECC and public health guidance for more information. 			
	Approach and expectations around school uniform determined and communicated with parents. Changes to the school	Parents or children not complying with expectations.	Expectations revisited in letter to parents	
Pupil Re- orientation	All students instructed to bring a water bottle each day.		Cups provided if water bottle left at home. Teacher with to pour	
back into school after a period of	Approach to preparing pupils for a return to academic work and new		water, not the children. Video or photos sent home to show the	
closure/ being at home	social situations is developed and shared by all teaching staff. This includes bringing together pupils who have remained in school during closure and those at home and celebrating non-academic achievements of pupils whilst at home/ during school closure.		children what their newly arranged classrooms look like and what the PPE gear looks like.	
	Approach to supporting wellbeing, mental health and resilience, including bereavement support is in place.		ELSA materials to be looked at.	

	 Re-orientation support for school leavers is developed. Consideration of the impact of COVID19 on families and whether any additional support may be required: Financial Increased FSM eligibility Referrals to social care and other support PPG/ vulnerable groups 		home Key W calls to week.	ort for families at to continue with Vorker (staff) phone to happen every . New KW to be ned if class teacher is ing.		
Remote Education Contingency Plan	All students have access to technology and remote learning offer is available to be switched on as a contingency when needed.	Bubble needs to self-isolate because of a positive case of COVID19.	contin and re	ote learning ngency available ready to be ched-on' when ed.	'Purple Mash' purchased to allow greater online support in remote learning in the event of another	
	Online/ website support for families and young people around transition.					
Transition into new year group What will need to be different this year because of COVID19?	 Plan for transitions between school years taking into account what needs to be different due to partial opening, remote and face to face: EY to Primary Primary to Secondary Vulnerable children Children with SEND Physical and sensory needs, including adaptations, equipment etc (lead in times) Post 16 School Leavers 	Children will return in September to a new class and a new teacher after not being in class since March.	who h unable wheth	e sought from LA has been, so far le to confirm her transitions en in September 7.20)	Arrangements with Pre-School made for new Reception to begin on 21.09.20. 11.09.20 Parent transition meetings reorganised as government guidelines changed to only allow groups of 6 to meet.	

	Consideration given to any CYP who may need support with their return to school and consultation has been undertaken with the family and other agencies involved.	CYP previously deemed to be safer at home and family are anxious about returning to school.	М	Review the CYP's risk assessment to identify any support or arrangements needed for their return to school.	L	
	Staff are prepared for supporting wellbeing of pupils and receiving any potential disclosures.			Staff refresher training session on processes and procedures and the revised wellbeing material.		
	Updated Child Protection Policy in place.			Adopted most recent Child Protection Policy completed		
Safeguarding	Work with other agencies such as social care, has been undertaken to support vulnerable CYP to return to school.					
	Where physical contact is required in the context of managing behaviour, ensure appropriate hygiene measures are in place to mitigate any risk of transmission.			Review individual consistent management plans to ensure they include protective measures.		
	Consideration given to the safe use of physical contact in context of managing behaviour.	Children need restraining, first aid or a cuddle.		Review individual consistent management plans to ensure they include protective measures. Dedicated member of		
				staff in protective gear if physical contact is needed.		

		Parents involved. Behaviour policy updated with section on managing children physically.	
	Current learning plans, revised expectations and required adjustments have been considered.		
Curriculum /	Consideration has been given to what activity is more difficult/ not possible to be undertaken with social distancing in place? Each activity should be risk assessed and should not be run unless the risks can be mitigated PE Practical science lessons	PE to be online using Joe Wicks, Oti and Cosmic Yoga etc. Children must wash their hands after. Trainers worn but not PE	
learning environment	 DT/ FT Whole school approach to adapting curriculum (S/M/L term), including: Wellbeing curriculum recognising 'non-curriculum' learning that has been done capturing pupil achievements/ outcomes utilising the DFE 'catch-up' funding and programmes 	kits. Staff are trained and supported in front of classroom delivery style and aware of how best to provide students with additional support. Consistent approach to planning discussed at staff meeting to ensure home learning and learning in school is consistent and manageable.	

	Student behaviour policy reviewed to reflect current circumstances.				Ready to be agreed at FGB on July 7 th	
	Approach to provision of the elements of the EHCP including health/therapies.		pr	ENCO to look at EHCP rovision and review with arents before July 2020.	Invitations sent (29.06.20)	
CYP with SEND	Annual reviews.	EHCP children not in school.	ar ar re	ENCO to look at EHCP nnual review procedures nd begin process of eview to be completed efore July 2020 (SB)		
	Requests for assessment.					
	Consider any CYP who may need support with their return to school and consult with the family and other agencies involved. Including any support required for CYP to understand new rules i.e. social distancing.					
Attendance	Approach to promoting and supporting attendance for all pupils determined, including those who may be anxious.	Parents exercising their choice to keep their children at home.				
	Approach to support for parents where rates of PA were high before lockdown.		at	arents to be notified that ttendance will be ompulsory from eptember.		
Communication	Information shared with staff around the full opening plan, returning to site, amendments to usual working patterns/practices and groups.	Staff feel uninformed and anxious about school reopening.	sh	ach decision to be hared with SLT and staff. omments welcomed.		

	overnors consulted on full opening ans.	Governors feel uninformed about school reopening.	Each decision to be shared with COG and other governors.	
	nion representatives consulted on Il opening plans.			
	sk Assessment published on ebsite, where more than 50 staff.			
Co	 Plan for partial re-opening Social distancing plan Wellbeing/ pastoral support/ support and acknowledgement to parents of home learning Attendance Uniform Transport Behaviour Test and trace Staggered start and end times Expectations when in school and at home (if self-isolating is necessary) 	Parents feel uninformed and anxious about school reopening.	LB to speak to parents about their fears. Allow parents time to make up their minds. Keep parents informed of every decision once approved by the governors.	
Pu	 upil communications around: Changes to timetable Social distancing arrangements Staggered start times Expectations when in school and at home (if self-isolating is necessary) Travelling to and from school safely 		As soon as confirmed, send letter to parents with all expectations e.g. gradual start, lunch times, one way system etc.	

	On-going regular communication plans determined to ensure parents are kept well-informed	socia	ers, website updates, al media vsletter continued to ent every week.	
	Meetings and decisions that need to be taken prioritised.		ual governing body etings	
Governors/ Governance	Governors are clear on their role in the planning and full opening of the school, including support to leaders. Approach to communication between Leaders and governors is clear and understood.	COG repo	ular meeting between 6 and HT. COG to ort to governing on alf of HT.	
	All aspects of governance are reinstated. Governors prepared for start of school year (clerking, etc).			
School events, including trips	The school's annual calendar of events has been reviewed and decisions made on cancelling or going ahead with events in the immediate term, including school trips.	gove	rips on hold until ernment sys is safe to el or visit local area.	
	Additional costs incurred due to COVID19 are understood and clearly documented.			
Finance	Claims submitted for reimbursement for example, increased premises related costs; additional cleaning; support for FSM			
	Any loss of income understood, including the impact of lettings and			

	the financial implications of possibly not restarting.			
	Insurance claims, including visits/trips booked previously.		Mother's Day money to be reimbursed.	
	Reintroduction or re-contracting services, such as: Cleaning IT support Catering			
	Consideration given to any support that may be brokered through working together, for example, partnerships, trusts etc.			
Before and after school clubs	Approach in place for before/after school clubs implements the necessary protective measures.			