

Green Park Community Primary School

Preventing and Managing Sickness Including Outbreaks

Risk Procedures and Risk Assessment- Updated 1/10/23

Progression of restrictions/Staged response

(At Green Park, we have 4 stages when dealing with medical incidents/outbreaks.)

Response Stage	Trigger	Key Actions	Who	Notes
STAGE 1- General (everyday hygiene and procedures)	None	 General reminders for hygiene Effective handwashing facilities and soap available Follow recommended absence periods for sickness 		
STAGE 2- PREVENTION	Where an increased risk is present: Increased absence rates of staff or pupils Local increases in sickness e.g. flu, norovirus, coronavirus Public health alerts Suspected cases of specific illnesses in school or within the community (e.g. coronavirus or norovirus)	 Increase hygiene procedures Communication with key people including key information (staff, pupils and families and users of site) Specific hygiene lessons in school Increased enforced use of handwashing-before eating food. Enforce 48hr after symptoms have stopped for all fever, sickness and diarrhoea 	SLT Admin Staff	
STAGE 3- Mitigate/Delay	Where a significant risk is present:	 Consider reducing contact situations: 	SLT	

	Direct case or increased likelihood of	Assemblies		
	case	Carpet time		
	Public health advice for restrictions	School events		
		Trips		
		Consider:		
		Any screening measures e.g. use of		
		thermometer in school		
		Increase time of exclusion from school for		
		those with symptoms (beyond 48 hrs)		
		Sending home children with <u>any</u> symptoms		
		Additional cleaning including deeper cleans		
STAGE 4 Containment	Where specific and/or significant	Part/full closures of site/classes	HT/Chair of	
	changes or restrictions need to be in	Deep cleans	Governors	
	place:	Closure of lettings and building use		
	High levels of sickness	Reduction or exclusion of visitors		
	High rates of absence			
	Significance of danger of disease or			
	illness			

Coronavirus key actions (as situation escalates)

Specific issue	Actions including messages	Who	Notes
Suspected case in school	Contact DfE help line /PHE	SLT	
(staff or pupil)	Deep clean core areas		
	Inform staff		
	Core hygiene reminders		
	Contact parents- general information about sickness		
Confirmed case in school	Deep clean core areas	SLT	
	Inform staff	SITE TEAM	
	Core reminders of hygiene		
	Contact parents – general information about sickness etc and the next key steps e.g.		
	closure of a class/school/ or carry on etc.		

Suspected case in a family	Children to take LFT tests daily- if positive- follow isolation protocols	FAMILIES
•	The school will assess the risk on a case by case basis, but will always take the most	STAFF
	cautious approach. Given the spread of the virus, it is highly likely that household contacts	ADMIN
	will catch it. Parents to ensure children wash hands before leaving house	
	Child to wash hands immediately on entry to school	
	Increase monitoring of pupils- If in school, they must take daily LFD tests for the first 7 days	
	of family isolation.	
	Families will be advised to keep child at home if they have any symptoms.	
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	Parents to ensure children wash hands before leaving house	SITE
	Child to wash hands immediately on entry to school	
	Increase monitoring of pupils	
Teacher shortage	Supply/splitting classes/SLT cover	SLT
	Where too many- partial closure for certain classes or part time/am/pm	
Support staff shortage	Prioritise need	SENDCO
		LOLS
Protection for most	Identify children	SENDCO
vulnerable children	Discuss with parents the initial steps following PHE guidance and agree key actions-	
	isolation/seclusion	
Vulnerable and Extremely	Follow PHE guidance at the time	STAFF
vulnerable staff with health	Ask them to contact their consultant to seek advice on their condition	HT
issues	Consider working from home	
Staff with symptoms	Stay home	STAFF
	Follow NHS 119 advice	HT
	Discuss with HT	
Pregnant staff	Follow PHE guidance at the time	STAFF
	Ask them to contact midwife to seek advice	HT
	Consider working from home	
Kitchen shut down	Parents to provide packed lunches	PARENTS
Site team shortage	Discuss with cleaning contractor	SITE
Leadership shortage	Access via phone	SLT
Admin shortage	Cover with SLT/TAs	SLT
	Inform parents not to phone unless an emergency	

Other school users	Inform of control measures, including possibility that a suspension of usage may occur		
		ADMIN	
Long period shut-down	Continue learning activities through work packs and daily live sessions	STAFF	
	Children to take reading books home		
	Y6 pupils to take SATs prep materials home and recommend accessing BBC education		
	pages.		

Core control measures

Control measure	Control stage	Notes/Actions	Who	Review
Increased ventilation	1	Ensure windows and doors are open to allow a flow of air. Maintain a minimum temperature in the rooms and allow coats etc to be worn.		
Tissues for each class	1	Ensure adequate stock Replenish as needed	SITE	
Alcohol based gel	1	Additional dispensers around the school Ensure full at start of day All children to wash hands before lunch	SITE	
Increased hand washing facilities	1	Get a quote for outside taps	SITE	
Other users of the building	2,3	Contact every user and inform them of usage expectations: Clean hands or use of gel before use of facilities Restrictions or suspension of usage	ADMIN	
Daily monitoring of staff/pupil absence	2	Daily report to HT	ADMIN	
Finding out about travel arrangements now and in the future of staff and pupils	3	Ask parents to inform us of any close family member who has returned from abroad within the last month Staff members to inform SLT of any travel arrangements to high risk areas including those of any close friends or family they have been in contact with	ADMIN	

Reducing contact point	2	Extremely high hygiene for any food making/tasting	STAFF
activities		Avoid activities where you are passing items around a class-	
		artefact sharing/circle time/PE lessons with balls.	
		Cease shaking hands for visitors or children	
		Cease use of shared water cups in classes.	
Good personal hygiene	2	Distribute key information posters	SLT
		Hold assembly on hygiene	
		Hygiene letter to parents	
Review of cleaning	2,3	Meet with contractors to discuss increase focus on touch points	SITE
		and tables (redirect from vacuuming)	
		Preparations for deep cleans if necessary	
Additional daily touch point	2,3	Handles and rails to be cleaned at mid points during the day	SITE
cleaning			
School visitors and site users	2,3	Hand gel on entry	SITE
Absence policy	2,3	Review time periods of absence for all children or staff and	HT
, ,		increase if necessary but at least to the minimum standard (48hrs	
		clear of symptoms)	
Support for affected families	2,3	Communicate to parents to contact school if they require support	STAFF
		Regular contact with affected families	
Taking temperature of	2,3		ADMIN
anyone in school who may			
begin to feel unwell			