COVID-19: outbreak management plan

Cam Woodfield Junior School



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Review has taken place in light of the Co-signed letter from the South West Regional Schools Commissioner, South West UK Health Security Agency (formerly PHE) and the South West Directors of Public Health sent to the school on 21.10.21 – adaptions have been made and highlighted in yellow.

Introduction

This plan is based on the <u>contingency framework for managing local outbreaks</u> of COVID-19, provided by the Department for Education (DfE).

We will only implement some, or all, of the measures in this plan in response to recommendations provided by our local authority (LA), director of public health (DsPH), Public Health England (PHE) health protection team or the national government.

It may be necessary to implement these measures in the following circumstances, for example:

- To help manage a COVID-19 outbreak within the school
- If COVID-19 infection rates in the community are extremely high, and other measures have failed to reduce transmission
- As part of a package of measures responding to a 'variant of concern' (VoC)

Testing

Staff will continue to test twice a week (Thursdays and Sundays) and report their results to school using the electronic system in place and record their results on the government website.

Staff will resume testing on 2nd September 2021 prior to their return in readiness for the new academic year.

If recommended, school will increase the use of home testing by staff. (This may be the case if there are localized outbreaks.)

Face Coverings

Staff and visitors who are not exempt from wearing a face covering:

• Will be asked to keep on or put on a face covering when moving around indoors in places where social distancing is difficult to maintain, such as in communal areas

and/or

 Will be required to wear a face covering in classrooms or during activities, unless social distancing (1m) can be maintained or a face covering would impact on the ability to take part in exercise or strenuous activity

Changes to the School's Daily Operations

- Restrict whole school assemblies and events
- Restrict visitors entering the school for this 2 wk period advised by HSA & PH
- Restrict mixed year groups during lunchtime sittings whole year groups only.
- Cancel after school clubs during this 14 day period.
- Bubbles will be reintroduced. E.g. Phase / Yr groups / Classes depending on HSA or Government Guidance.

Shielding

School will carry out a risk assessment and speak to individuals required to shield about additional protective measures in school or arrangements for home working or learning.

Other measures

If recommended, we will limit:

- Residential educational visits
- Open days
- Transition or taster days
- Parents coming into school
- Live performances

Attendance restrictions

Attendance restrictions will only be recommended as a last resort.

As with other periods of restricted attendance, we will provide "high quality remote education" for all pupils or those not attending. If attendance restrictions are required across an area, the government will publish "detailed operational guidance" for schools.

Restrictions on attendance may be advised by local teams for individual settings or clusters (no more than 3 or 4) of "closely linked settings".

If recommended, school will implement the measures in this section.

Eligibility to remain in school

In the first instance, schools will stay open for:

- Vulnerable pupils
- Children of critical workers
- SEND & EHCP pupils (if staffing capacity allows for any ratios attached to child's needs).
- Year 6

If further restrictions are recommended, school will stay open for:

- Vulnerable pupils
- Children of critical workers

Education and support for pupils at home

All other pupils will be required to stay at home and will receive high quality remote education.

School will aim to deliver remote education that meets the same quality and quantity of education that pupils would receive in school, as outlined in our remote learning policy. This can be found on our website using the following link: https://www.camwoodfield-junior.uk/web/blended learning plan /510237

The school will continue to prioritize meals or lunch parcels for pupils eligible for benefits-related free school meals while they are not attending school because of COVID-19 isolation guidelines.

Parents of FSM pupils will be able to book '10 day hampers' and collect them from school on day of issue.

Safeguarding

We will review our child protection policy to make sure it reflects the local restrictions and remains effective.

School will aim to have a trained DSL or deputy DSL on site wherever possible.

- If the DSL (or deputy) can't be on site, they can be contacted remotely by:

Name	Contact Details	
Louise Bennett – Headteacher (DSL)	head@camwoodfield-jun.gloucs.sch.uk	
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Rachel Carrick – Pupil/Parent Advisor (Deputy DSL)	rcarrick@camwoodfield-jun.gloucs.sch.uk	

On occasions where there is no DSL or deputy on site, a senior leader will take responsibility for coordinating safeguarding on site.

If we have a large number of pupils who need to go home, we will:

- Contact parents to collect their children informing them of which entrance to collect them from.
- School will make contact with parents of PP, vulnerable, SEND pupils who made need support by way of device loans.
- All parents will be informed of plans for remote learning provision.

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