

ST GILBERT'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

RISK ASSESSMENT – COVID-19

February 2022

Risk assessment update : January 27th 2022.

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In line with government guidance – this risk assessment will cease on 1st April unless we are advised otherwise.

The school will follow Public Health Advice at all times.

Risk Rating	Likelihood of Occurrence x Severity of Harm
Likelihood of Occurrence	1 rare / 2 unlikely / 3 moderate / 4 likely / 5 almost certain
Severity of Injury	1 minor / 2 moderate / 3 significant / 4 major / 5 catastrophic

Assessment No:		Area/Activity:	COVID-19 PROVISIONS	Carried out by: Consulted	F DICKER All staff	Date:	September 2021

Hazard	Who might be harmed?	Existing Controls	Risk Rating	Is the risk adequately controlled?	If No, What further actions are required to reduce the risk?
Attendance Pupils not returning to school, impacting on their academic and mental welfare	Pupils Parents	Attendance is mandatory for all pupils with the exception of CEV pupils who have been told to shield by their clinician. The school will work with parents of these clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) pupils and with parents whose children continue to show anxiety. For those pupils who are most vulnerable, and who are isolating contact will be kept and the required agencies advised if involved – i.e. social care. If a child cannot attend school due to medical advice, then the pupils will receive remote education. Please refer to the Remote Learning Guidance. <i>Holidays in term time are not allowed in line with government law.</i>		Yes	
Testing positive	Pupils Staff	All staff and pupils must be in school unless they have contracted Covid-19 when it is <u>advised</u> they isolate however this is not legally required. We do advise for staff and pupils to stay at home if they have tested positive, are unwell or showing symptoms, to keep others safe and the school fully operational. The school can refuse attendance of the pupil if it is felt that it is necessary to protect pupils and staff from infection.			
Staff LFD Testing/Face masks Risk of transmission	Staff	All staff are advised to continue to LFD test but this is not law. Face coverings are no longer required.	6	Yes	
Visitors to site Visitors do not adhere to protocols, increasing the risk to both staff and pupils and parents	Pupils Staff Parents	If it is not safe for visitors to attend site they will be informed. Visitors will be organised with the school determining safe levels on a day to day/week to week basis to ensure continued safety. Face coverings are no longer required.	6	Yes	
Organisation for washing hands Staff and pupils do not wash hands regularly enough so increasing risk of virus.	Pupils Staff	Protocol for handwashing has been given to all members of staff. All children and staff have access to sanitiser or washing facilities in each classroom/shared area. Teachers must ensure there is a hand sanitiser station in each classroom and shared area. There will also be stations in the front office, in all rooms and at entrances. Minimum – entry to school, before and after playtime and lunchtime or change of learning area – after eating and entry back into school, following and after any outdoor learning and after visiting the toilet. Supervision will be completed by all staff irrespective of where they work. All children should continue to ‘Catch it, bin it, kill it’ when sneezing or coughing into their hands. They must also sanitise their hands.	6	Yes	

<p>Hygiene</p> <p>Areas are not cleaned sufficiently or staff do not secure resources adequately so increasing the risk</p>	<p>Pupils Staff</p>	<p>All areas will be thoroughly cleaned on a daily basis in line with guidance particularly frequently touched surfaces. PPE is not required beyond what is normally needed for work.</p> <p>Monitoring will take place to ensure that cleaning is thorough and in-depth and in line with guidance.</p> <p>All management of waste will be managed with cleaning staff wearing PPE if appropriate. All bins will have bin bags in them for ease of disposal. All bins will be emptied every day as is current practice. This includes external bins. Waste that may be contaminated will be double bagged and stored for 72 hours before disposal.</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>Classes and playtimes/Lunchtimes</p>	<p>Pupils</p>	<p>All classes and playtimes will be organised in accordance with pre-pandemic organisation. Classes are work across classes and can work in groupings from different classes. Children should sanitise after play and before lunchtimes</p> <p>These will follow normal procedures. All pupils must wash their hands before and after lunch. Tables to be cleaned down in-between sittings.</p> <p>Rooms must continue to be well-ventilated. CO2 monitors may be in classrooms periodically and there have been ventilators put into Y5.6 classrooms to aid ventilation where there are no classroom fire exits.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>First Aid</p> <p>Staff need to ensure all measures are followed to ensure safety of them and pupils</p>	<p>Pupils Staff Parents</p>	<p>First Aid – all staff must wear gloves and a mask when giving First Aid. PPE must be worn for intimate care or for those demonstrating symptoms of Covid-19. Should a child be coughing, spitting, being sick, goggles <u>must</u> be worn. In the current circumstances, whilst staff have a safeguarding duty to provide First Aid care, should staff be concerned they must ask for support.</p> <p>First Aid boxes into bandstands at 8:30am for access at break and lunchtimes. Brought in by MDS after lunch and restocked. Stored in Kitchen ready for dispersal the following morning. Wipes in all areas.</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>Drinking fountains are a source of risk due to risk of mouth contact and a touch area</p>	<p>Pupils Staff</p>	<p>All drinking fountains are disabled and must not be used. No plastic cups will be provided.</p> <p>Pupils must have water bottles in school every day.</p>		<p>Yes</p>	
<p>Medical Room</p> <p>Pupils/staff are not isolated so increasing risk to other members of staff</p>	<p>Pupils Staff Parents</p>	<p>From 24th February 2022, adults who are fully vaccinated and all children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19 are no longer required to self-isolate or advised to take daily tests. Contact tracing has ended.</p> <p>If anyone develops COVID-19 symptoms, however mild, parents will be contacted to discuss sending them home.</p> <p>All staff must wear gloves and a mask. Should a child/staff member be coughing goggles <u>must</u> be worn and keep a distance of 2m where possible. Staff providing care must sanitise after the person has left.</p> <p>PPE box present in medical room and clearly labelled.</p> <p>Should a child or member of staff use the toilet when showing symptoms, this must be cleaned thoroughly before use, with the cleaner wearing full PPE.</p>	<p>6-9</p>	<p>Yes</p>	

<p>Offices</p> <p>Close contact within a small space leading to staff and visitors put at risk</p>	<p>Pupils Staff Parents</p>	<p>We have implemented procedures for entry into the school office whereby only two persons may enter at any one time. We would ask persons to wait until invited into the office.</p> <p>All staff and visitors to the office must stand in-front of the screen and not enter the working space unless invited to.</p> <p>Entry by other members will be on an agreed basis and only if absolutely necessary.</p> <p>Office will continue to have screens in place to provide continued protection.</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>Educational Visits/Trips/Residentials. Clubs</p>	<p>Pupils Staff Visitors Parents</p>	<p>Day and Residential Trips will resume as long as it is felt that the safety of all (in regards to Covid) can be maintained. All clubs will run as normal.</p>		<p>Yes</p>	

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