

January 2021/22

Pevensey and Westham CE Primary School



This plan summarises the changes to the organisation in the school in-line with the updated government guidance. The plan is subject to change at any time following review or further government guidance.

A key message from the government to schools is that:

"COVID-19 continues to be a virus that we learn to live with and the imperative to reduce the disruption to children and young people's education remains.

Our priority is for schools to deliver face-to-face, high-quality education to all pupils. The evidence is clear that being out of education causes significant harm to educational attainment, life chances, mental and physical health."

Summary of measures at PaWS:

- Children who test positive for Covid-19 should not attend school.
- If a pupil displays Covid-19 symptoms (a high temperature, a new, continuous cough a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste), we will contact parents/carers to collect.
- **Children and adults who are fully vaccinated identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 are strongly advised to take a LFD test every day for 7 days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result.**
- Children no longer work in class bubbles. This means that there is some mixing of children across classes to support the curriculum and school worships will continue. We will continue to minimise contact between classes and year groups at other times. As during last term, we will rapidly step measures up where several cases occur.
- Any parents who have had a positive test or who are displaying symptoms of COVID-19, should not attend the school.
- Increased hand washing and use of hand sanitizer will remain.
- The 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach will continue to be encouraged in school to support good respiratory hygiene.
- Areas and equipment will be cleaned regularly with a particular focus on frequently touched surfaces.
- We will increase ventilation in school balancing the need to maintain a comfortable temperature.
- Adults in school will wear face masks in corridors and communal areas although health advice continues to be that children in primary schools should not be asked to wear face coverings.
- Staff will continue to test twice weekly at home with LFD tests and any visitors will also be required to test before entering the school.
- School trips will be assessed on a case by case basis with the school undertaking full and thorough risk assessments in relation to all educational visits to ensure that any public health advice, such as hygiene and ventilation requirements are considered.
- PaWS Xtra breakfast and after school provision will return to running normally. [See here for more information.](#)

Clubs

We will put together our timetable for extra-curricular clubs early in the new term and send out a timetable as soon as possible.

Drop off and Collection

We emailed parents at the end of last year to explain the revised systems for drop off and collection for this year. The plan prioritises the safeguarding of our pupils in handing over children to a parent/carer ensuring clear lines of sight. [A copy of the letter can be found here.](#)

Some key points:

- We have returned to having the single access along the pathway by the church.
- Drop will be from 8.30 with all pupils, except our new Early Years children, being dropped off at the edge of the playground. Familiar staff will be on the playground on the first day children return for younger pupils.
- At collection, children will have a marked out space on the playground to stand as a class. Parents/Carers are asked to queue in class lines. Rather than having a line of children with teachers searching for the correct adult for each child, teachers will hand over the correct children to the adult at the front of the line in a similar approach used last year. Signage will be in place so that you know where to stand.
- These procedures will be reviewed if needed.

Timings:

	Drop off time	Location		Collection Time	Location
Early Years	8.45	In front of old school building		3.05	In front of old school building
Years 1, 2 and 3	By 8.40	Edge of main playground		3.00	On main playground
Years 4, 5 and 6	By 8.45	Edge of main playground		3.05	On main playground

Risk Assessment:

We have revised the school risk assessment for the start of term and are ready to step measures up or down in future depending on local and national circumstances. [Our Risk Assessment can be found here.](#)

Contingency Plans:

Plans are in place to provide high quality remote provision should the need arise. [Our Remote Learning Parent guide and Contingency Plan can be found here.](#)

Further information

DfE School's Covid-19 Operation Guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak>

Stay at home guidance

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

NHS test and trace: what to do if you are contacted

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works#people-who-develop-symptoms-of-coronavirus>

Safe working in education, childcare and children's social care settings, including the use of personal protective equipment (PPE)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/safe-working-in-education-childcare-and-childrens-social-care>

Coronavirus (COVID-19): safeguarding in schools, colleges and other providers

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-safeguarding-in-schools-colleges-and-other-providers/coronavirus-covid-19-safeguarding-in-schools-colleges-and-other-providers>

COVID-19: cleaning in non-healthcare settings

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings>