## Nailsea School Covid Outbreak Contingency Plan – Sept. 2021



When should my child self- isolate or miss school?	NO	<ul> <li>All children MUST attend school unless they are ill.</li> <li>From 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, children under 18 (or double-vaccinated adults) do not need to self-isolate or miss school if a member of their household or a contact, has Covid.</li> <li>Instead, they will need to book a PCR test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms and the test result is negative.</li> </ul>
	YES	<ul> <li>If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at home</u> and should book a PCR test), <u>NOT</u> a Lateral Flow test.</li> <li>If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test.</li> <li>If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated – but instead should book a PCR test.</li> </ul>

Community Covid Risk	Description	Actions
Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.	<ul> <li>There have been no cases of Covid within school for 10 school days.</li> <li>Cases of Covid locally are low and/ or stable.</li> <li>Hospitalisation/ Deaths due to Covid nationally are low.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No Covid measures are necessary beyond:</li> <li>Reminding children of good hand-hygiene.</li> <li>Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical.</li> <li>Ensuring Children / Staff to stay at home if they have Covid Symptoms (and to book a PCR test).</li> <li>Staff will continue to test themselves using Lateral flow tests until the end of September.</li> </ul>
Rapidly Rising Community Transmission	<ul> <li>No current Covid cases have been recorded at school, but</li> <li>Cases of Covid are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools.</li> <li>N Soms Public Health / Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/ national infection wave.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ventilation of classrooms increased.</li> <li>Large indoor gatherings/audience numbers reduced.</li> <li>Staff-room capacity is reduced.</li> <li>Clinically Vulnerable staff meet with Line-Managers to review their individual risk assessment &amp; discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/ groups).</li> </ul>

Number of Cases:	Description:	Actions:	
A single child tests Positive	<ul> <li>A single child tests positive for Covid in a class.</li> <li>There are fewer than 5 cases in the year group.</li> <li>No other year groups are affected.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it.</li> <li>The parents of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts.</li> <li>Likely contacts will be contacted by NHS Track &amp; Trace and advised to book at PCR Test.</li> <li>Children do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for the result of the PCR test unless they have Covid Symptoms.</li> </ul>	
5 children or 10%+ of students and staff within a year group test positive within 10 days of each other.	• There have been 5 cases or 10% of Covid across a group of staff and students who have mixed closely within 10 days which could mean that Covid is spreading within that group of children.	<ul> <li>As above for each positive case.</li> <li>The school will discuss the outbreak with North Soms Public Health and agree strengthening protective measures <u>for 10</u> <u>school days</u>, including:         <ul> <li>Re-introducing staff face masks for corridors &amp; communal areas.</li> <li>Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances.</li> <li>Reverting to video-link assemblies in classrooms.</li> <li>Reducing the amount of classes staff work across.</li> <li>Resuming twice-weekly Staff Lateral flow testing.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Covid cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.	<ul> <li>Despite the measures indicated above, Covid cases within the school continue to rise within a 10 day period with multiple classes and staff affected, suggesting that Covid is spreading throughout the school.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Incident Management Team meeting held between the school and N Soms Public Health to agree further measures, <u>for a</u> <u>further 10 school days</u>, including:         <ul> <li>Re-introducing class bubbles.</li> <li>Reverting to class-based school lunches.</li> <li>Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.</li> <li>Postponing all non-essential events.</li> <li>Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

The school will inform parents of any changes to Covid measures should these be needed.