



Contingency Plan for Covid Outbreak

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This plan is based on the PHE NW COVID-19 Resource Pack for Schools

We implement measures in this plan in response to recommendations provided by our local authority (LA), the director of public health (DPH), Public Health England (PHE) our local health protection teams or by following government guidance.

These measures will be implemented to help prevent the spread of infection within the Federation settings, to manage a COVID-19 outbreak or cluster, to react to high COVID-19 infection rates in the community or when all measures in place are still failing to reduce risk and infection.

It is important that everyone complies with the latest Government guidance on Coronavirus. Compassionate leadership is at the heart of offering continued nursery education and care and we will do everything we can to be honest, open and to communicate with all stakeholders. There will be a lot of anxieties and we acknowledge that it is okay to feel worried and that COVID-19 and the lockdown has had an impact on everyone. Everyone involved in the day to day running of both nursery schools will receive appropriate support on how to operate safely.

Measures to prevent the spread of infection

- Since the start of the coronavirus pandemic, we have risk assessed our environment and how we operate in order to ensure we offered, and continue to offer, our staff and children a safe environment. Hygiene and social distancing remain the two key elements of infection prevention and control. We have made the decision to keep the following procedures in place
- Any child, staff member, parent or visitor with coronavirus symptoms must not attend nursery and must isolate at home.
- Any person displaying symptoms must not return to nursery until they have completed the required isolation period and/or received a negative coronavirus test, in line with government guidelines. Children with temperatures cannot return until they have been 24 hours fever free, without the need of medication to assist, in line with PH DfE guidelines.
- Increased cleaning processes remain in place.
- Staff will continue to socially distance from each other and during parent handovers.
- Staff will continue to wear face coverings on handover and around the Children's Centre public areas
- Staff members have access to regular Lateral Flow Device testing kits
- Ventilation continues to be a key part of infection control - doors and windows remain open for at least 15 minutes in every hour and the outdoor area is used as much as possible during the day
- All persons travelling outside of the UK must adhere to instructions and testing in line with the current government guidance at the time of the visit.

Management of an Outbreak of COVID-19 within one of the Nursery Schools

If any of the following thresholds are met, we will seek public health advice and work with local authority contacts to identify any additional measures that need to be put in place.

- 5 children, pupils, students or staff, who are likely to have mixed closely, test positive for COVID-19 within a 10-day period; or
- 10% of children, pupils, students or staff who are likely to have mixed closely test positive for COVID-19 within a 10-day period; or
- If a pupil, student, child or staff member is admitted to hospital with COVID-19
- All staff connected to a positive case to take daily Lateral Flow tests for 10 days

If recommended by LA, DsPH or PHE, we will limit:

- Trips and visits
- Transition visits
- Parents/visitors coming into school
- Live performances

If recommended by LA, DsPH or PHE, we will reintroduce:

- Limiting attendance to “priority groups” – vulnerable or disadvantaged pupils, critical worker children. We will follow our Remote Learning Policy.

Any person contacted by NHS Track and Trace must isolate in accordance to government guidance

The Headteacher / Assistant Head will ensure that :

A trained DSL or deputy DSL is on site across the federation wherever possible. If our DSL (or deputy) can't be on site, they can be contacted remotely by email on:

head.warringtonroad@halton.gov.uk
senco.warringtonroad@halton.gov.uk
sec.warringtonroad@halton.gov.uk

Via the Nursery mobile on 073130051855

A member of staff trained in paediatric first aid will be at each Nursery site during the school day.