

Review and tailor the contents of this generic risk assessment to meet your school's individual circumstance. Actions determined as required but not yet in place should be moved from the 'What are you already doing'? column to the "What further action is necessary?' column. You may also want to add specific actions relating to your school in this column. Record any other **significant** findings and actions required to reduce risk further where existing controls are insufficient, assigning these actions to an appropriate manager or member of staff.

## RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:

Re-opening schools to all pupils from September 2021

Establishment:	Assessment by:	Date:
Appleton Primary School	ML/OW	September 2021

What are the hazards?Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	What further action is necessary?	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible.Staff, pupilsExposure to virus 	<ul> <li>Pupils organised into phases of 3 classes . Once groups are defined, pupils should remain in these groups to minimise contact and mixing</li> <li>Timetabled staggered breaks / outdoor play</li> <li>Increased proportion of lessons taught outside</li> <li>Revised arrangements in EYFS to reduce free-flow and to maintain pupil groupings / ratios</li> <li>Limited assemblies, performances, productions etc</li> <li>Meals served in Covid Compliant dining hall in staggered lunchtimes to ensure phases remain separated as much as possible</li> <li>All staff and visitors advised to wear masks if they require in communal areas around school where social distancing cannot be maintained.</li> </ul>				

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Maintaining social distancing with staff	Staff, pupils Exposure to virus through coughing, sneezing, physical contact, shared equipment or resources	<ul> <li>Virtual meetings rather than face to face held where possible, even if staff are on site. Where this is not possible, social distancing observed in meetings</li> <li>All office space / PPA rooms / staffrooms etc are set up for social distancing</li> <li>Staggered use of PPA rooms / staffrooms etc</li> <li>Cleaning materials to disinfect shared computers / telephones / photocopiers etc in place</li> <li>No use of shared mugs, glasses, cutlery etc</li> <li>All staff and visitors to wear masks in communal areas around school where social distancing cannot be maintained</li> </ul>	Staff can operate across different classes and year groups to facilitate the timetable but should try and keep their distance from pupils and other staff as much as possible (2 metres) PPA timetable Social distancing meetings to take place All staff and visitors to wear masks in communal areas around school where social distancing cannot be maintained	ML/AD	17.7.20	
	Staff, pupils, visitors, parents Exposure to virus	<ul> <li>Markings and signage on school drives / entrances to school buildings to encourage maintenance of social distancing</li> </ul>		ML – information sent out to parents with new arrangements	15/7/21 15/7/2021	
	through coughing, sneezing, physical contact The risk of spreading the virus is greater if social distancing of	<ul> <li>Hand sanitizer available at school reception entrance for all visitors</li> <li>Visitors to school kept to a minimum</li> <li>Arrangements in place for telephone, email or virtual meetings with parents rather than face to face where possible</li> </ul>	Inform parents Re-enforce through info sent to parents	ML	2/11/2020	

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Contamination of equipment or resources	Staff, pupils Exposure to virus through contaminated equipment or resources	Resources shared between phases eg: sports, art, science equipment, are cleaned frequently). Reading books and resources can be sent home. All are wiped clean before reallocating. Reading books stored in classrooms not shared areas to reduced number of different pupils accessing them.		RM/ TAs All staff	Sept.2021 Ongoing	
		Stocks of disinfectant and cleaning products monitored weekly to maintain appropriate levels				
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Spread of virus due to hygiene issues	Staff, pupils	<ul> <li>All pupils / staff wash hands for 20 seconds regularly on arrival to school, before and after eating, after sneezing or coughing and at</li> </ul>	Small children and pupils with		Ongoing as	

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	virus due to lack of handwashing Risk of spreading virus through contamination of surfaces	<ul> <li>regular times throughout the day</li> <li>Staggered number of pupils / staff using toilets / handwashing facilities to maintain social distancing</li> <li>Regular inspections of handwashing / toilet facilities throughout day to ensure appropriate levels of soap / paper towels etc</li> <li>Stocks of handwashing equipment monitored weekly to maintain appropriate levels</li> <li>Additional hand sanitizer available in all classrooms. Ensure supervision of hand sanitizer use to avoid ingestion.</li> <li>Alert premises staff of any risks that emerge during the day in toilets</li> <li>Increased cleaning throughout school day and at end – paying particular attention to door handles, banisters, light switches, sinks, toilets, toys, books, desks, chairs</li> <li>Tissues readily available – pupils trained to 'catch it, bin it, kill it'. Bins emptied daily.</li> <li>'Deep clean' for rooms that have been used at end of each day.</li> </ul>	complex needs should continue to be helped to clean hands properly. Skin friendly cleaning wipes can be used as an alternative	All staff	necessary	
		<ul> <li>All rooms well ventilated with windows / doors opened (fire regulations permitting)</li> </ul>				
Lack of staff to teach / supervise pupils due to high		All staff inform line manager by 7am if they will be unable to attend work due to illness, self	<ul> <li>Inform parents to keep pupils in the affected group at home</li> </ul>		Ongoing	

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staff absence	Lack of supervision Risk of spreading virus if strict pupil grouping is not adhered to	<ul> <li>isolating etc</li> <li>Staff access testing promptly to identify accurately when they can return to work</li> </ul>	<mark>if needed</mark>	ML/SLT	As need arises	
Pupils / staff becoming ill with symptoms whilst on site	Pupils / Staff / Families High risk of infection if exposed	<ul> <li>Clear information provided to staff and pupils regarding symptoms to be aware of – procedure in place to report these promptly to SLT</li> <li>Designated room to isolate pupils with symptoms set up (well ventilated and thoroughly cleaned after use)</li> </ul>	•	ML/SLT	Info to parents, July September	
		<ul> <li>PPE provided for staff members supervising pupils with symptoms. (Fluid-resistant surgical mask)</li> <li>Everyone who has been in contact with the person who has shown symptoms must wash their hands thoroughly for 20 seconds.</li> </ul>		ML/SLT	As need arises	
		<ul> <li>All staff and parents informed that the school expects engagement with the NHS Test and Trace Process, including booking a test if they display symptoms and self-isolating if required (see below)</li> </ul>		ML/SLT	As above	
		<ul> <li>Parents are contacted promptly to collect pupils with symptoms. Pupils with symptoms must be sent home.</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Staff with symptoms sent home</li> <li>Staff / pupils should access testing promptly and inform school of results if positive. Where</li> </ul>				

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		the child, young person or staff member tests positive they must self isolate for 10 days. Other members of their household (including siblings) should not self isolate nut should book a PCR test ASAP				
		Additional training provided on the use of PPE				
Minimise contact with individuals who are unwell,	Pupils / Staff / Families	• Staff, pupils or visitors must not come into school if they have symptoms of COVID-19 or have tested positive in the last 7 DAYS.	•	ML/SLT	As need arises	
have symptoms or live with someone with symptoms.	High risk of infection if exposed	• Anyone displaying symptoms at home advised to access a PCR test . Staff to access testing to determine if they can return sooner.		Advice from		
		<ul> <li>Parents advised to access testing for pupils.</li> </ul>				
		Anyone living with someone who displays symptoms should book PCR test.				
Manage confirmed cases	Staff, pupils, families	Maintain records of staff and pupils in each phase	•	ML/SLT	As need arises	
of COVID-19 in school community	High risk of transmitting and spreading virus	Take swift action if made aware that someone in school community has tested positive for COVID-19				
		• Contact local health protection team if more than 5 in phase or 10% are positive		As above	As need arises	
		• Identify all members of school community who have been in close contact with the person who has tested positive (close contact = face to face within 1 metre / being coughed on, proximity contact 1-2 metres for more than 15 minutes / travelled in small vehicle eg: car. with		As above		

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		infected person and inform them to enable them to take PCR test				
		• Act on advice from local health protection team if 5 or more cases are confirmed within a phase and implement additional actions if advised.		As above		
		•		As above	As need arises	
Exposure to virus when managing	Staff	Identified room(s) for managing intimate care / first aid				
intimate care needs / first aid of pupils	Risk of infection due to exposure to bodily fluids or physical contact	• PPE provided for staff when managing intimate care / first aid needs. (Fluid resistant surgical mask, disposable gloves, disposable apron). If there is a risk of splashing to the eyes from coughing, spitting or vomiting then eye protection should also be worn).				
		Daily checks of room and equipment in place to maintain hygiene and supply of PPE				
		<ul><li>Waste and used PPE is disposed of daily</li><li>Additional training provided on the use of PPE</li></ul>				
Supporting pupils with SEND or behaviour issues (eg: spitting, restraining etc)	Risk of infection due to exposure to bodily fluids or physical	<ul> <li>Potential pupils identified in school and personalised risk assessment / handling plan in place, including provision of PPE for staff if appropriate.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide specific information (eg: social stories) for pupils with SEND to support their understanding of new routines on their return to school.</li> </ul>	CS	July 17 <sup>th</sup>	
	contact		<ul> <li>Specialists, therapists, clinicians and other support staff for pupils with SEND can be used. Maintain a</li> </ul>	CS	Ongoing	

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			•	record of all visitors into school and ensure social distancing. Individual risk assessments in place for any pupils educated in more than one setting (eg: behaviour support) to minimise risks.	cs	Ongoing	
High risk staff / pupils	Clinically extremely vulnerable staff / pupils with pre- existing medical conditions. Clinically vulnerable staff / pupils Higher risk of complications from the virus	<ul> <li>Identify staff / pupils who are clinically extremely vulnerable / clinically vulnerable</li> <li>Individual risk assessments completed for vulnerable staff to ensure strict compliant with social distancing and to minimise risk.</li> <li>Individual risk assessments completed for pupils who remain under the care of a specialist health professional in consultation with that professional</li> <li>Individual concerns discussed for those members of the school community who may feel additionally vulnerable to review measures that are in place (eg: those who were previously shielding or living with someone who is vulnerable, those from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic backgrounds or those with certain conditions</li> </ul>	•		ML/CS As above	1 <sup>st</sup> August 1 <sup>st</sup> September 21/Ongoing	
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Deliveries	Staff	All deliveries to specified location					
	Risk of exposure to virus through						

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	deliveries					
Transport to school	Pupils	<ul> <li>Parents / pupils encouraged to walk or cycle if possible</li> </ul>				
	Risk of exposure for	Dedicated school transport:				
	pupils travelling on mini buses / school	<ul> <li>Where possible, group pupils on transport to reflect the bubbles in school</li> </ul>	N/A – children do not use school transport			
	buses / public transport	<ul> <li>Encourage hand sanitizer and distancing where possible.</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Ensure social distancing arrangement for bus queues</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Encourage face masks for over 11s if pupils are likely to come into contact with pupils from other bubbles</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Transport plan written in consultation with LA and transport providers to minimise risks</li> </ul>				
		Wider public transport:				
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Educational Visits	Staff / Pupils Wider risk of exposure to virus	<ul> <li>Overnight and overseas educations visits will not take place</li> <li>.</li> </ul>	Non overnight educational visits can go ahead but a full risk assessment is completed, including a consideration of COVID-19 protective measures during transport and at the destination. All risk assessments must be approved by Head of School before booking – <i>No</i> <i>plans for visits yet but this might</i> <i>change</i>			
Sport, PE and extra-curricular	Staff / Pupils Wider risk of exposure	Maintain existing bubbles where possible. If not, small consistent groups are used.	extra- curricular clubs after the first half term			

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provision	to virus	<ul> <li>Ensure equipment is thoroughly cleaned or stored for 48 hours between use by other groups.</li> </ul>				
				ML/SB/Coach	1 <sup>st</sup>	
			<ul> <li>Outdoor sports and games are prioritised. Indoor activities ensure maximum space between pupils.</li> </ul>		September/ Ongoing	
Mental health and wellbeing	Staff / Pupils / Families	<ul> <li>Curriculum to include resources to support mental health and wellbeing of pupils with access to support from ELSAs</li> </ul>	Ongoing support for staff from Educational Psychologist / counselling services	CS? LJ	September onwards	
	Impact on emotional health and wellbeing.	<ul> <li>Information sent to parents with sources of</li> </ul>				
	Anxiety, depression.	support for mental health and wellbeing				
	Absence.	•				
Emergency	Staff / Pupils	Revised emergency evacuation plans in place     for each acting including execution plans in the residuent in the residu		ML/OW	Half Termly	
evacuation	Increased risk of exposure during emergency evacuations	<ul> <li>for each setting, including assembly points with social distancing arrangements.</li> </ul>				

Risk assessment to be regularly reviewed throughout this during this situation