

COVID19 Outbreak Management Plan

Name of	Debden Primary Academy
School:	

Date: January 2022 Update

DFE guidance defines a Covid-19 outbreak as (whichever is reached first):

-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.

For support contact:

Essex Contact Tracing Team: 0300 303 2698, provide.escontacttracing@nhs.net DFE Helpline: 0800 046 8687 and selecting option 1

The re-introduction of some additional protective measures may be a necessary response to a potential outbreak in school. In all cases, any educational drawbacks should be balanced with the benefits of managing transmission.

Immediate outbreak response (at the level of individual settings or a cluster of settings) remains for local directors of public health to advise on.

Actions considered to contain an outbreak

Impacted year	Impacted staff:	Date:	
group:			

Guidance	Action taken	Date commenced	Date of Review	Review Outcome
Testing/Monitoring of Close				
contacts -Contact with parents to encourage PCR tests to be booked for those in close contact with positive cases. -Close observation of those who have been in close contact with positive cases. Immediate isolation if symptoms present.				
Re-introduction of Face				
Coverings -The reintroduction of face coverings for pupils, students or staff may be advised for a				

temporary period in response to		
particular localised outbreaks,		
including variants of concern.		
Asymptomatic Testing		
Additional testing may be		
recommended to pick up any		
asymptomatic testing in the school community.		
Increased ventilation		
The Health and Safety Executive		
guidance on air conditioning and		
ventilation during the coronavirus		
outbreak and CIBSE COVID-19		
advice provides more		
information.		
Re-introduction of Class		
Bubble/s		
Children in affected class/es kept separate from other children/		
classes in the school, through:		
-Staggered start/ finish;		
-Staggered break and		
lunchtimes;		
-Separate class/ toilets		
-Identified class spaces -Individual class equipment		
Merging of Classes		
Where staff absence is high and		
classes cannot be safely supervised.		
Wider Measures		
-Revert to Zoom assemblies		
-Return to 'PE day' so only one		
class in hall.		
-Staggered lunchtime		
arrangements Communications to staff		
Communications to students		
Communications to parents/		
carers		
Remote Education		
See the remote education plan.		