

Thomas Lord Audley School

COVID19 Outbreak Management Plan

Name of School:	TLA School	Date:	3 December 2021
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DFE [guidance](#) states:

If you have 2 or more confirmed cases within 14 days, or an overall rise in sickness absence where COVID-19 is suspected, you may have an outbreak.

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 group:	7	Impacted staff:	N/A	Date:	3/12/2021
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Guidance	Action taken	Date commenced	Date of Review	Review Outcome
Self-isolation of close contacts <i>In some cases, health protection teams may recommend that a number of other pupils self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure. This could be the class or year group.</i>	<i>Advice sought from Public Health and ECTT. Following national guidance - no children isolating even if identified as contacts (unless later informed of an "Omicron" case</i>	3/12/2021	10/12/2021	<i>Self-isolation period ended.</i>
Re-introduction of Face Coverings <i>The reintroduction of face coverings for pupils, students or staff advised for a temporary period in response to particular localised outbreaks, including variants of concern.</i>	<i>Face coverings advised for adults and students in corridors and crowded areas.</i>	30/11/2021	17/12/21	<i>Compliance is high. Consider a plan to continue arrangements for another week.</i>

Asymptomatic Testing <i>Additional testing may be recommended to pick up any asymptomatic testing in the school community.</i>	<i>Letter to parents re home testing plus for Year 7 running on-site testing on 6/12/2021</i>	<i>3/12/2021</i>	<i>10/12/21</i>	
Increased ventilation <i>The <u>Health and Safety Executive guidance on air conditioning and ventilation during the coronavirus outbreak</u> and <u>CIBSE COVID-19 advice</u> provides more information.</i>	<i>Reminded to keep windows opened as much as possible. Investigating options for improving mechanical ventilation system.</i>	<i>3/12/2021</i>	<i>10/12/2021</i>	
Increased cleaning	<i>Reinforced importance of cleaning in between groups. Particularly Main Hall after Year 7 lunch</i>	<i>3/12/2021</i>		
Reduce mixing of students	<i>Year 7 return to "tutor group bubbles" until Christmas. Reviewed start and end times, lunch and break arrangements .</i>	<i>3/12/2021</i>		
Communications to staff	<i>All staff advised of outbreak and mitigating actions.</i>	<i>3/12/2021</i>		
Communications to students	<i>All students advised of potential outbreak and mitigating actions.</i>	<i>6/12/2021</i>		
Communications to parents/ carers	<i>Letter to parents/carers advised of potential outbreak and mitigating actions.</i>	<i>3/12/2021</i>		
Remote Education	<i>Remote education provided to those pupils who need to self-isolate.</i>	<i>15/09/21</i>		