

# Risk Assessment for Schools – Addendum

Please be aware that this document has been designed to support assessment and decision making for schools when considering plans for full opening from September 2020. Reference to the latest DfE government guidance should be made when considering the prompts.

# **Background**

A full School Risk Assessment tool was developed by Worcestershire County Council and Worcestershire Children's First to support schools with a phased opening recovery approach. The tool, and example risk assessment and other supporting documents are available at: <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/recoveryschools">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/recoveryschools</a> and <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/download/1433/phased">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/download/1433/phased</a> re-opening of schools and settings documents

# General guidance and links for reference:

- Public health England <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england">https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england</a>
- NHS: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/</a>
- Government advice: https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus
- DfE https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-and-childcare
- Worcestershire Recovery Planning: supporting the implementation of phased school return in Covid 19 conditions: <a href="https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/recoveryschools">www.worcestershire.gov.uk/recoveryschools</a>
- Worcestershire Covid 19 Education Bulletins: <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/download/1421/coronavirus covid-19">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/download/1421/coronavirus covid-19</a> education and early help bulletin for schools

School Name: Astley C.E. Primary School	DfE Number: 885/3300
Date agreed by Head Teacher: Thursday 16th July 2020	Date approved by Governing Body: Monday 20th July 2020
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#### **Opening Plans**

Q1. What date will you begin to welcome back pupils into school for the Autumn Term? If this will be later than Tuesday 1st September, please outline the reasons below (i.e. TED day etc.)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September is a staff training day. Wednesday 6th January 2021 – Monday 4th January is a staff training day, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> closed to reopen for critical workers and vulnerable pupils only.

Q2. Will pupils have different return dates dependent on year groups? If yes, please outline plans for each year group.

Year 1 to Year 6 return to school on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 Year R have home visits on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020 with a short taster visit on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 10am to 11am with parents remaining on site.

Q3. Please describe your plans for managing the school day to support full pupil attendance I.e. staggered start/end times, separate entrances etc.



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Please refer to parent letter Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July for full details.

Q4. Guidance assumes that all pupils will be back to full-time education from September, if this will not be the case for your school, please describe the reasons below.

Attendance is mandatory for all from September 2020. Our letter regarding September has made it clear that all are expected to attend.

69 children have returned to school this term out of a possible 98 pupils (70%) on a rota. We have been implementing an emotional/social recovery curriculum from 1<sup>st</sup> June within our social bubbles with all children who have attended having a happy and positive learning experience. No one has stopped attending as a result of coming back. Many have reported that their children are happy and back to normal. We are visiting all pupils who have not attended (29 pupils) with a gift before the holidays.



Theme 1: Protective measures and hygiene

Consider:	Suggestions /consideration	Issues & actions to manage risk	R	Α	G
Have you put in place opportunities for pupils and staff to clean their hands more often?	Schools must ensure that pupils clean their hands regularly, including when they arrive at school, when they return from breaks, when they change rooms and before and after eating.  Following a risk assessment, some schools may determine that small adaptations to their site are required, such as additional hand wash basins or sanitizing stations to ensure hand washing can be managed.  Ensure that supervision of hand sanitiser use given risks around ingestion. Small children and pupils with complex needs should continue to be helped to clean their hands properly. Skin friendly skin cleaning wipes can be used as an alternative	Yes, we will continue with the arrangements we have in place from 1st June but intend to use sanitizer at times to speed up the process with 30 pupils. Sanitizer used at beginning and end of the day. Sanitizer used as well as hand washing after toilet visits. More dispensers added around school to encourage use between areas.  Where sanitiser is used, staff will monitor and use a pump/spray bottle to increase hygiene. Two spray bottles used per class to speed up delivery.  Some pupils with increased sensitivity will handwash as an alternative. Encouraged to bring own brand of sanitizer to use after toilet visits.			
	Ensure that protective measures are built into school culture, supported by behaviour expectations and helping ensure younger children and those with complex needs understand the need to follow them	All staff will supervise hand washing as we know this ensures effectiveness and the correct approach can be modelled/narrated.  Extra resources and a regular stocktake in place.			
Ensure that staff and pupils have their own items that are not shared. Classroom based resources, such as books and games, can be used and shared within the bubble.	Classroom based resources, such as books and games, should be cleaned regularly, along with all frequently touched surfaces. Resources that are shared between classes or bubbles, such as sports, art and science equipment should be cleaned frequently and meticulously and always between bubbles, or rotated to allow them to be left unused and out of reach for a	Classroom surfaces have been cleared since 1st June and this set up will remain in place during the Autumn term. Staff asked to check table and cupboard surfaces and ensure equipment is stored in trays to enable frequent cleaning of surfaces.			



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	period of 48 hours (72 hours for plastics) between use	All pupils have their own tray and clear pencil case
	by different bubbles.	for pens, scissors, glue, IWB pen etc. New pencil
		cases ordered for all children for the new term.
		Where children share resources for play or learning
		these will be frequently cleaned or rested.
		Fabric items remain removed from the classroom
		or are regularly washed. Sport equipment to be
		sprayed end of each day. Staff to be vigilant about
		ensuring not used by other bubbles. Staff need to
		be vigilant about shared surfaces – photocopier,
		hot water dispense, handles. Frequent cleaning and
		handwashing required.
Limit the amount of equipment brought	Pupils and teachers can take books and other shared	Pupils will be encouraged to limit the size of bags
into school each day, to essentials such as	resources home, although unnecessary sharing should	and bring the minimum to school.
lunch boxes, hats, coats, books, stationery	be avoided, especially where this does not contribute to	Teams for KS2 homework will be explored to
and mobile phones. Bags are allowed.	pupil education and development. Similar rules on hand	facilitate a reduction in books carried between
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	cleaning, cleaning of the resources and rotation should	home and school and assist preparations for home
	apply to these resources.	learning. KS2 to consider how to minimise items
		coming into school – homework brought in less
		frequently or on Teams. One reading book at
		school and one at home to be trialled.
Ensure the school has a process in place for	Pupils must be instructed not to touch the front of their	At this stage we are not anticipating widespread
removing face coverings when pupils (over	face covering during use or when removing them. They	use of face coverings in school. 2 pupils and 0 staff
the age of 11) and staff who use public	must wash their hands immediately on arrival (as is the	have worn face coverings this term. From 9.11.20
transport arrive at school. And the process	case for all pupils), dispose of temporary face coverings	All adults wearing face coverings at drop off and
is communicated clearly to them.	in a covered bin or place reusable face coverings in a	pick up. Staff understand how to wear and remove
,	plastic bag they can take home with them, and then	correctly. Face coverings worn in the corridors as a
	wash their hands again before heading to their	requirement from Mid Dec. Jan trial staff wearing
	classroom.	face coverings in class when not directly teaching.
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Ensure that consistent groups are	Section 5:	Class groups will be in operation. Class groups and
maintained and the Guidance for full	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-	a mixed bubble now in operation. Mixing between
opening: schools is adhered to	for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-	groups will be limited to at a social distance
5 p	for-full-opening-schools	outside. Staff asked to be more highly vigilant
		about bubbles meeting in corridors and toilets.
		Staff should not enter other bubble class rooms.
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Ensure groups are kept apart from other groups where possible and older children should are encouraged to keep their distance within groups.	Section 5: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions- for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance- for-full-opening-schools	Pupils using one toilet per class. They must distance by using sink 1 & 3 not 2. Bubbles limited to 10 to maintain social distancing and 6 in YR due to room size and lack of social distancing.  The school hall will not be used other than for wraparound care. Breaks are staggered and in separate locations. Lunch is eaten in class. KS2 children expected to maintain social distance in school – given appropriate reminders and explanations by staff. Sunflower room must be cleaned between use by different groups. Extra hall bubble added to accommodate all those requesting a place during lockdown. Parents advised that part-time may be necessary if numbers rise.
Ensure that when staff need to move between classes and year groups, they keep their distance from pupils and other staff as much as they can, ideally 2 metres from other adults	Section 5: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools</a>	Staff who work in two schools or who teach across two class groups will keep socially distant from the children. KS2 staff encouraged to keep social distance wherever possible and adapt marking and feedback to do so. TAs supervising bubbles.  Teachers advised to keep out of bubbles as much as possible to ensure backup staffing plan in place.
Within the classroom ensure there is distance between people whilst inside and reducing the amount of time people are in face to face to contact lowers the risk of transmission.	Section 5: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions- for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance- for-full-opening-schools	Tables are all facing the front and children sitting side by side. They have set places to minimise transmission. Reception cannot work like this but are a small group of 13 children. KS1 is a class of 26 so still relatively small. Resources will be washed frequently. Handwashing and catch it, bin it, kill it messages explicitly taught. Seating plans submitted in case of a positive case to aid consideration of close contact. Pupils positioned to be 2 metres away from adult where possible and 1 metre from each other
Ensure staff in secondary schools maintain distance from their pupils, staying at the front of the class, and away from their colleagues where possible.	Ideally, adults should maintain 2 metre distance from each other, and from children. If not possible avoid close face to face contact and minimise time spent within 1 metre of anyone. (it will not be possible when	N/A



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	working with many pupils who have complex needs or who need close contact care. These pupils' educational and care support should be provided as normal.)		
Ensure that for children who are old enough, they are supported to maintain distance and not touch staff and their peers where possible. (This may not be possible for the youngest children and some children with complex needs and it is not feasible in some schools where space does not allow. Schools doing this where they can, and even doing this some of the time, will help).	Section 5: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions- for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance- for-full-opening-schools	Staff will remind children of this expectation. Staff will model and narrate this need without materially affecting the ethos of our small school environment. Staff asked not to touch children unless absolutely necessary. Staff continuing to be highly vigilant about unnecessary touch.	
Ensure that when staff or children cannot maintain distancing, particularly with younger children in primary schools, the risk can also be reduced by keeping pupils in the smaller, class-sized groups.	Section 5: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions- for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance- for-full-opening-schools	Reception are a small group of 13 children. KS1 26 children. Resources will be washed frequently and handwashing and catch it, bin it, kill it taught.  Bubbles limited to 10 to maintain social distancing and 6 in YR due to room size and lack of social distancing.	
Ensure that adaptations to the classroom to support distancing where possible. That should include seating pupils side by side and facing forwards, rather than face to face or side on, and might include moving unnecessary furniture out of classrooms to make more space.	Section 5: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions- for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance- for-full-opening-schools	Staff will reassess their classrooms during the holidays and consider if furniture removal would help space tables out appropriately and ensure clear movement around class.	
Ensure schools avoid large gatherings such as assemblies or collective worship with more than one group.		All whole school gatherings have been cancelled for the Autumn term. Singing and PE only allowed outside. Bubbles remain intact with no whole school mixing.	
When timetabling, ensure groups kept apart and movement around the school site kept to a minimum. Schools should	Section 5:	Children no longer move around school other than to the toilet and outside. They use separate doors for entry and exit to ensure separation.	



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avoid creating busy corridors, entrances	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-	Ash – class door
and exits. Schools should also consider	for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-	Willow – class door
staggered break times and lunch times	for-full-opening-schools	Elm – pupil door
(and time for cleaning surfaces in the		Oak – rear door
dining hall between groups).		Breaks are taken two classes at a time on separate
		playgrounds. Staff to ensure no mixing of groups in
		corridors. Previous timetable and movement plan
		maintained – continuity for children and strict
		separation maintained.
Ensure that a plan of how shared staff		3 staff breakout rooms identified to ensure staff
spaces are set up and used to help staff to		can have proper breaks – kitchen, staff room and
distance from each other. Use of staff		sunflower room. <del>Staff will ensure no more than 2</del>
rooms should be minimised, although staff		staff in these rooms at any one time. Each room
must still have a break of a reasonable		has an assessed number 2 staffroom, 3 sunflower,
length during the day.		2 kitchen. Staff are bringing flasks/bottles to school
		to ensure drinks readily available and minimise use
		of fridge/hot water dispenser/mugs etc. Staff
		encouraged to use hall for breaks and sit on bubble
		tables to try and ensure we have the emotional
		support and social contact we need. Weekly
		briefing moved to hall. Staff now use Elm Class and
		hall when vacant due to addition of hall bubble.
Ensure that plans have been		Letter sent to parents 10 <sup>th</sup> July has been checked by
communicated to parents and remind		governors. Questions and observations invited. No
them about the process that has been		concerns expressed. Newsletter 23.10
agreed for drop off and collection,		communicated face coverings requirement,
including that gathering at the school gates		supported by text and social media reminders.
and otherwise coming onto the site		Update letters sent out to parents on 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan
without an appointment is not allowed.		and on website for reference.
Ensure that the management of other	Site guidance on physical distancing and hygiene is	Parents and other agencies may only visit by
visitors to the site, such as contractors, has	explained to visitors on or before arrival. Where visits	appointment. Rooms will be carefully allocated and
been considered and ensure site guidance	can happen outside of school hours, they should. A	<del>cleaned between use by different people.</del> Where
on physical distancing and hygiene is	record should be kept of all visitors.	possible visitors will attend school after 3.15pm.
explained to visitors on or before arrival.		9.11.20 All visitors must wear face masks in school
Where visits can happen outside of school		building. Staff meeting them should ensure large



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hours, they should. A record should be kept of all visitors. Ensure that where a child routinely attends more than one setting on a part time basis, for example because they are dual registered at a mainstream school and an alternative provision setting or special school, schools work through the system of controls collaboratively, enabling them to address any risks identified and allowing them to jointly deliver a broad and balanced curriculum for the child.		meeting space and face mask or shield worn. Only essential visitors. PE sports coach cancelled, all other visitors not attending unless for safeguarding purposes.  Discussions have taken place with an Alternative Provider. It has been agreed that the support can only be provided on site. Professionals will ensure that parents are aware of the increased risks and the controls in place to reduce them. They must agree to the plans and controls. Discussions currently ongoing. If parents are not content with the risks, the day at AP will not take place and remote education will be considered. Parents decided to allow pupil/s to attend school and AP. Pupils engaging with home learning.
Ensure the Schools understands the NHS Test and Trace process and how to contact their local Public Health Team and Public Health England Health Protection Team.	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools  Ensure that all members of staff are aware, read and understood the Guidance for full opening: schools and Guidance for full opening: special schools and other specialist settings and Local Covid 19 Management of cases in education setting.  Notify the LORT (Mon – Sun 9am – 6pm) of any symptomatic people in a school wcchealthprotection@worcestershire.gov.uk or by phone 01905 845491  Notify PHE on 0344 225 3560 (Option 0, Option 2) of any symptomatic or confirmed cases in a school  Ensure that Staff are aware of how to manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) amongst the school community. If the school becomes aware of a	This information will be shared through weekly briefings and on Tuesday 1st September as part of INSET training.  All governors, staff and parents have had guidance, national and local and risk assessment shared.  Weekly briefing, and weekly staff meetings (on site for TA, remote for teachers regularly give out these important messages.

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	confirmed or suspected case of a pupil, staff member of		
	household member of a pupil or staff member they		
	must contact the WCC Local Outbreak Response Team		
	or PHE Health Protection Team immediately and follow		
	the local and national guidance.		
	Ensure that staff members and parents/carers		
	understand that they will need to be ready and willing		
	to:		
	book a test if they are displaying symptoms. Staff and		
	pupils (or symptomatic pupils siblings) must not come		
	into the school if they have symptoms, and must be		
	sent home to self-isolate if they develop them in school.		
	provide details of anyone they have been in close		
	contact with if they were to test positive for coronavirus		
	(COVID-19) or if asked by NHS Test and Trace		
	self-isolate if they have been in close contact with		
	someone who develops coronavirus (COVID-19)		
	symptoms or someone who tests positive for		
	coronavirus (COVID-19)		
Ensure that all staff are aware of the	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-	Sunflower room and adult toilet will be used to	
process if there is an outbreak within the	for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-	segregate symptomatic person. PPE worn if need to	
school. All staff must be aware of actions	<u>for-full-opening-schools</u>	enter room. Room fully cleaned including bleach	
to take as per the guidance and ensure		afterwards. Ventilation provided.	
that this is communicated to parents.			
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Ensure protective measures are in place for	• small consistent groups	Wraparound care is now booked in advance with
wraparound care.	social distancing	parents indicating pick up times to ensure
	enhanced cleaning	staggered entrances and exits can take place.
		Wraparound care has been moved to the school
		hall and is the only activity that will take place in
		this space this term.
		Children from each of the four classes will be
		allocated a quarter of the hall space with tables and
		resources kept within the class bubble or cleaned
		between use.
		Children will only mix outside – outside activities
		will take place as much as possible. No indoor
		sports will take place.
		Children will access the toilets in class groups.
		The space will be well ventilated and cleaned daily
		with particular attention to touched surfaces and
		resources.
		Staff will socially distance from children as they
		work across year groups and in other settings.
		Parents will wait at the gate and not enter school,
		they will not sign in or out.
		PPE available within the room and removal to an
		isolation room in the event of becoming unwell is
		possible.
		DSL onsite or available at all times.

## Worcestershire supporting tools and resources:

- Coronavirus (COVID-19) general FAQs for education providers: Public health cleaning and protective equipment <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20774/coronavirus covid-19">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20774/coronavirus covid-19</a> advice for schools and education settings/2211/coronavirus covid-19 general fags for education providers/4
- Safe working including use of PPE: Bulletin CV35 <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/file/12524/education">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/file/12524/education</a> and early help bulletin covid-19 update 35 15 may 2020
- Covid19 Testing for education staff: Bulletin CV28 <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/file/12499/education\_and\_early\_help\_bulletin\_covid-19\_update\_28 1 may 2020">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/file/12479/education\_and\_early\_help\_bulletin\_covid-19\_update\_25 24\_april\_2020</a>

- Testing link and CV37 <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/file/12546/education">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/file/12546/education</a> and early help bulletin covid-19 update 37 20 may 2020
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in Schools: Bulletin CV38
   Coronavirus COVID-19 Education and Early Help Bulletin 38 | Worcestershire County Council
- If you are unable to access essential supplies please contact: <a href="mailto:cv19Logistics@worcestershire.gov.uk">cv19Logistics@worcestershire.gov.uk</a> where someone will contact you to discuss your requirements and provide any support possible.
- Worcestershire Public Health guidance to early years, mainstream schools and special schools:

  <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20774/coronavirus covid-19">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20774/coronavirus covid-19</a> advice for schools and education settings/2257/coronavirus covid-19 management of cases and local outbreaks in educational early years and childcare settings</a>
- Management of cases and local outbreaks in education settings including early years and childcare settings, schools or Post 16 provision:

  http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20774/coronavirus covid-19 advice for schools and education settings/2257/coronavirus covid-19 management of cases and local outbreaks in educational early years and childcare settings

## Theme 2: Accommodation / site usage

Consider:	Suggestions /consideration	Issues & actions to manage risk	R	Α	G
A reminder to maintain the statutory	Schools should continue their compliance checks during	Compliance checks undertaken by cleaning staff.			
compliance testing, flushing and	the school holidays.	School has been fully operational since 1st June			
monitoring during the holiday period.		with all rooms and all taps used regularly.			
	This is particularly important for water system which will	Arrangements will be made to start flushing taps			
	not have had normal use during lockdown or even with	from Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> August.			
	the wider opening of school in June. Regular flushing of	9.11.20 Compliance checks to take place today			
	<u>all</u> taps for two minutes or more and flushing of toilets on	Compliance checks now undertaken by Stay and			
	a weekly basis is recommended with daily flushing for a	Play staff.			
	week before the school opens in September.				
	Fire evacuation procedures must also be reviewed especially if changes to classes and classrooms have been made. This should be supplemented with drills to ensure staff and pupils are familiar with any changes.	Classes are all in usual places so the usual fire drills will be applied in the Autumn term. Fire drill undertaken Oct 20, fire evacuation policy discussed Sept 20 Fire warden training undertaken Summer 20 Fire drill due this half term.			
	Further information can be found here-				
	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-				
	school-premises-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak				
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Consider the ways to maintain and increase the supply of fresh air and adequate ventilation throughout the school.	https://legionellacontrol.com/compliance/recommission-water-systems-post-covid-19-lockdown/  Once the school is in operation, it is important to ensure good ventilation. Good ventilation can help reduce the risk of spreading coronavirus, so focus on improving general ventilation, preferably through fresh air or mechanical systems.  Schools should consider if they can improve the circulation of outside air and prevent pockets of stagnant air in occupied spaces.  Advice on ventilation can be found in Health and Safety Executive guidance on air conditioning and ventilation during the coronavirus outbreak.	Windows and doors utilised to provide ventilation and a through flow of air. Staff to remain vigilant in terms of security risks. New gates at front and rear of school help to mitigate this risk. Windows and doors open from 7am to provide good air change. Closed as appropriate to ensure comfortable working temperature. Doors and windows reopened for air change whilst children at break. Staff advised to ensure children are not cold in school whilst ensuring adequate air change takes place throughout the day.		
If you are using any form of Temporary Structures for provision e.g. gazebo, ensure correct procedures are followed to safely erect, maintain and dismantle the structure.	Further information can be found here: <a href="https://www.hse.gov.uk/event-safety/temporary-demountable-structures.htm">https://www.hse.gov.uk/event-safety/temporary-demountable-structures.htm</a>	No temporary structures in use.		

# **Worcestershire Supporting tools and resources:**

- Covid 19 Schools Phased return space planning considerations <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/phasedschoolsreopening">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/phasedschoolsreopening</a>
- Reopening Council Buildings Checklist 120520 <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/recoveryschools">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/recoveryschools</a>
- Guidance from Highways regarding marking footpaths outside schools: Bulletin CV 41

  Coronavirus COVID-19 Education and Early Help Bulletin 41 | Worcestershire County Council

# DfE guidance:

- Premises: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-school-premises-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak</a>
- Managing school premises during the coronavirus outbreak: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-school-premises-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-school-premises-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak</a>
- A detailed checklist and key guidance for action for health and safety is available at: <a href="www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-school-premises-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/managing-school-premises-which-are-partially-open-d
- Social distancing: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-social-distancing-in-education-and-childcare-settings/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-social-distancing-in-education-and-childcare-settings">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-social-distancing-in-education-and-childcare-settings</a>
- Legionella compliance through lockdown: <a href="https://legionellacontrol.com/compliance/recommission-water-systems-post-covid-19-lockdown/">https://legionellacontrol.com/compliance/recommission-water-systems-post-covid-19-lockdown/</a>
- Air conditioning and ventilation during the coronavirus outbreak

## Theme 3: Staffing

Consider:	Suggestions / consideration	Issues & actions to manage risk R A	A G
Clinically Vulnerable staff	Guidance for full re-opening of schools – 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 20	Current staff member absence – unrelated.	
	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-	All other staff working, no staff are extremely	
1. Please can you confirm that you have	schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-	clinically vulnerable.	
individually risk assessed all staff	opening-schools	Staff advised re clinically vulnerable criteria and	
against the updated July 20 schools		asked to discuss this with HT. Risk assessments will	
reopening guidance for Clinically	Government guidance in respect of those Extremely	be drawn up where staff identify themselves as in	
Vulnerable staff and HR Guidance.	Clinically Vulnerable (known as Shielding) and those	this category by 2 <sup>nd</sup> September.	
	Clinically Vulnerable – updated the 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 20	Staff given advice and latest guidance via DfE and	
	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-	HR through the weekly briefings. No staff have	
	alert-and-safe-social-distancing/staying-alert-and-safe-	identified themselves as clinically vulnerable –	
	social-distancing-after-4-july	reminder in briefing 5.11.20. Latest advice	
		continues to be disseminated via weekly	
	If individuals cannot work from home, they are offered the	briefing. Staff have now identified as clinically	
	safest available on-site roles, staying 2 metres away from	vulnerable following questionnaire with individual	
	others wherever possible.	discussions/controls in place.	

red and include comments below							
	If this is not possible or an individual chooses to take on a role that does not allow for this 2 metre distance please confirm that you have carefully assessed and discussed with them whether this involves an acceptable level of risk and undertaken and recorded a risk assessment with them.  The new guidance indicates that this group should be especially careful and be diligent about social distancing and hand hygiene.						
BAME staff  2. Please can you confirm that you have individually risk assessed all staff as per HR guidance, who identify themselves as BAME staff.	BAME review report – 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 20 https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploa ds/system/uploads/attachment data/file/892085/dispariti es review.pdf  BAME HR Guidance – 26 <sup>th</sup> June 20 – page 7 http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/file/12635/education and early help bulletin covid- 19 update 54 - 26 june 2020  In light of the on-going work arising from this research, advice to schools is to include BAME staff in the category of 'clinically vulnerable staff' and undertake individual risk assessments for those staff working in schools.  If individuals cannot work from home, they are offered the safest available on-site roles, staying 2 metres away from others wherever possible.  If this is not possible or an individual chooses to take on a role that does not allow for this 2 metre distance please confirm that you have carefully assessed and discussed with them whether this involves an acceptable level of risk and undertaken and recorded a risk assessment with them.	No staff identified as BAME.					



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Clinically Extremely Vulnerable staff	Government guidance in respect of those Extremely	No staff in this category.					
(known as Shielding)	Clinically Vulnerable (known as Shielding) and those						
	Clinically Vulnerable – updated the 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 20						
3. For all staff that fall into the Extremely	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-						
Clinically Vulnerable category (known	<u>alert-and-safe-social-distancing/staying-alert-and-safe-</u>						
as Shielding).	social-distancing-after-4-july						
Please supply the following information for							
each individual staff member. Please note:	From 1 August advice for clinically extremely vulnerable						
If you do not have any staff that fall into this	people will move in line with advice to those who are						
category please can you send a nil response.	clinically vulnerable. In practice, this means staying at						
	home as much as possible, and if people do go out, taking						
Please do not send names or medical	particular care to minimise contact with others outside						
information for each individual but please	their household (unless you are in a support bubble) and						
mark each individual as worker a, worker b,	robustly practicing good, frequent hand washing.						
worker c etc. Please include the following							
information:	The relaxation of the shielding guidance will mean people						
a) Job Role;	who are clinically extremely vulnerable will be advised they						
b) Contracted hours;	can go to work or to the shops, as long as they are able to						
	maintain social distancing as much as possible and their						
c) What roles can this individual undertake	workplace is COVID-19 Secure.						
in light of the new updated guidance							
that will come into effect from the 1st	Support for those shielding will continue to the end of July						
August; and	so that people can plan for these changes.						
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d) Please can you confirm that you <b>have or</b>							
will individually risk assess all staff as per							
the updated July 20 schools reopening							
guidance for Clinically Extremely Vulnerable staff and HR Guidance, that							
includes that stringent social distancing							
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Impact on school							

For each consideration if your setting will have all measures in place in time for full opening RAG rate as green. If not RAG as amber or red and include comments below

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4.	Reviewing your answers to question 3 above please can you answer the following questions:							
•	What impact does this have on your available staffing and the full reopening?							
•	How will you cover these posts if required to do so?							

#### **Supporting tools and resources:**

- If you have any individual staffing queries relating to the wider reopening of schools, please contact Liberata HR <u>WCCHRConsultancy@liberata.com</u>
- If you have any other concerns around the full reopening of your school, please contact <a href="mailto:CV19EducationSchools@worcschildrenfirst.org.uk">CV19EducationSchools@worcschildrenfirst.org.uk</a>
- Coronavirus COVID-19 frequently asked questions for schools HR guidance for schools on Coronavirus (COVID-19) issues
   <a href="http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20775/coronavirus covid-19 frequently asked questions for schools/2196/coronavirus covid-19 frequently asked questions for schools/7">http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20775/coronavirus covid-19 frequently asked questions for schools/7</a>
- To find out more information through the Education and Early Help bulletins: http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/downloads/download/1421/coronavirus covid-19 education and early help bulletin for schools

## DfE guidance:

- Advice: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance</a>
- Data protection: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/data-protection-toolkit-for-schools">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/data-protection-toolkit-for-schools</a>
- NQT advice: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-induction-for-newly-qualified-teachers
- Critical workers who can access schools or educational settings: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision</a>