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**Health & Safety
POLICIES & PROCEDURES:**

Woodfield School

**Coronavirus
COVID
4.7**

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This policy will summarise the arrangements and measures in place at Woodfield School for a formalised system of infection control that minimises the risks to health of pupils, staff and visitors to the school:

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual) a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

To prevent COVID-19 -19 spreading

- Woodfield school I has identified a room that can be used for suspected cases of COVID-19; Music room
- Pupils that display symptoms of the virus during the school day will be isolated in the music room until they are collected or additional medical assistance can be gained. This may be 111 support, an ambulance
- First Aider to wear full PPE equipment when dealing with a child shows symptoms
- Child isolated in music room
- Detailed log of symptoms and treatment recorded
- Office to phone parents to collect child straight away.
- First Aider to inform the Principal immediately.
- Parent must take child for a test. If positive child and family must isolate for 14 days to stop the spread of the virus.
- Staff that display symptoms will leave if they can, the site to self-isolate, otherwise support will be sought from 111;
- First Aider must get a test done. If tested positive staff member must isolate for 10 days.
- Staff and pupils in close contact with someone who has a positive test must stay at home for 14 days even if they do not have symptoms to stop unknowingly spreading the virus. They must book to take a test as soon as possible.
- First Aiders required to assist this person will wear full PPE including, apron, gloves, mask and visor
- First Aiders have completed appropriate training for 'donning and doffing' PPE – PHE Guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-personal-protective-equipment-use-for-non-aerosol-generating-procedures>
- Staff will sign to say they have watched and understood the training.
- PPE is disposed of in accordance with COVID-19 waste management guidance; <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-decontamination-in-nonhealthcare-settings/covid-19-decontamination-innon-healthcare-settings>

How to manage the risk of staff pupils

- Regular reminders of washing hands and importance of hand washing
- Hand sanitizer available in all classrooms. Must be kept out of reach of pupils
- Regular cleaning of rooms / resources



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- Staff are required to regularly wipe frequently touched areas, as well as ensuring good handwashing routines

How to Self-Isolate if advised too

- Do not go to work, or public places – work from home if you can
- Do not go on public transport or use taxis
- Do not go out to get food and medicine – order it online or by phone, or ask someone to bring it to your home
- Do not have visitors in your home, including friends and family – except for people providing essential care
- Do not go out to exercise – exercise at home or in your garden, if you have one

After LFD testing - the results take up to one hour to develop. Do we hold pupils and students until the result, or can they go back to class?

When the testing is part of routine weekly or mass testing, individuals can return to regular school or college activities. However, anyone tested as part of the daily/serial testing of contacts programme will need to wait somewhere before being allowed to begin normal school/college activities until they receive a negative test result.

Returning to school after a positive LFD test

Many pupils will be able to return to school before the 10 full days of isolation have been completed. Pupils should take an LFD test from day 5 after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one. If both these test results are negative, they should return to school, if they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature.