



COVID Outbreak Contingency Plan

September 2021



School Attendance and Pupil Isolation

Should my child self-isolate or miss school?



- All children MUST attend school unless they are ill.
- From 16th August 2021, children under 18 (or double vaccinated adults) do not need to self-isolate if a member of their household or a contact has COVID.

NO

• Instead, they will need to book a PCR test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms, and the test result is negative.





• If your child develops COVID symptoms at home, they should <u>stay at home</u> and should book a PCR test, NOT a Lateral Flow Test.

YES

• If your child develops COVID symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test.

• If your child tests positive for COVID, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated- but instead should book a PCR test.



Community Risks and School Actions

Community COVID Risk	Description	Action
Low Community Transmission. No School Cases.	 There have been no cases of COVID within Lime Academy Ravensbourne for 10 school days. Cases of COVID locally are low and/or stable. Hospitalisations/Deaths due to COVID nationally are low. 	 NO COVID measures are necessary beyond: Support of pupils for good hand-hygiene. Ensuring good ventilation encouraged where practical. Ensuring children/staff stay at home if they have COVID symptoms (and to book a PCR test) Staff will continue to test themselves using Lateral Flow Tests until further notice.
Rapidly Rising Community Transmission	 No current COVID cases have been recorded at Lime Academy Ravensbourne, but Cases of COVID are rising rapidly in the community causing disruption to other local schools. London Borough of Havering /Public Health England issue warnings of expected local/national infection wave. 	 Ventilation of classrooms increased & hand-washing continued. Large indoor public performance audience numbers reduced. Staff room capacity is reduced. Whole school assemblies are replaced with 'online' assemblies. Extremely clinically vulnerable staff meet with line managers to review their Individual Risk assessment and discuss additional protection (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/groups). Extremely clinically vulnerable pupils have a review of their Individual Risk assessment and school staff discuss additional protection measures with families (e.g. use of face coverings, reduction in movement between classes/groups).



Number of Cases and School Actions

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A single child tests positive	 A single child tests positive for COVID in a class. There are fewer than 2 cases across the school 	 The child self-isolates for 10 days. Remote learning will be provided if they are well enough to complete it as outlined here. The parents of the child are contacted directly by NHS Track and Trace to establish likely contacts. Likely contacts will be contacted by NHS Track & Trace and advised to book PCR Test. The school will contact parents to advise this if close contacts are known. Children do not need to miss school or self-isolate whilst they wait for the result of the PCR test unless they have COVID symptoms.
5 children or staff within a family group test positive within 10 days of each other. OR 3 children or staff in a single Class within 10 days.	There have been more than 2 cases of COVID within the school setting	 As above for each positive case. Lime Academy Ravensbourne will discuss the outbreak with Havering Public Health and agree strengthening protective measure for 10 school days. Including: Re-introducing staff face masks for corridor and communal areas. Adapting, limiting or postponing indoor sporting events, trips, open days and performances. Reverting to video-link Assemblies in classrooms. Reducing the amount of classes staff work across. Resuming twice weekly staff lateral flow testing (if these have eased)





COVID cases continue to increase rapidly within a 10 day period.

 Despite the measures indicated above, COVID cases within Lime Academy Ravensbounre continue to rise within a 10 day period with multiple classes and staff affected, suggesting that COVID is spreading widely throughout the school.

- Incident management Team meeting held between the school, Trust and Havering Public Health to agree further measures, for a further 10 school days, including:
 - o Re-introducing class bubbles.
 - o Reverting to class-based lunches.
 - o Limiting all non-essential visitors to school.
 - o Postponing all non-essential events.
 - o Re-introducing remote learning for individual classes for 10 school days.

Lime Academy Ravensbourne will inform parents of any changes to COVID measures should these be needed.