

# Plumpton School

## COVID - 19: Outbreak Management Plan



### Introduction

This plan is based on the [contingency framework for managing local outbreaks of COVID - 19](#), provided by the Department of Education (DfE).

We will only implement some, or all, of the measures in this plan in response to recommendations provided by our Local Authority (LA), Public Health England (PHE) or the national government. The headteacher will contact Education IPC for Cumbria and will supply them with the Positive Covid - 19 Outbreak Notification form. The headteacher will also inform parents/carers at the first possible opportunity and will advise on necessary action.

It may be necessary to implement these measures in the following circumstances, for example:

- To help manage a COVID - 19 outbreak within the school
- If COVID - 19 infection rates in the community are extremely high, and other measures have failed to reduce transmission
- As part of a package of measures responding to a variant of concern (VoC).

### Shielding

We will adhere to national guidance on the reintroduction of shielding, which would apply to those on the [Shielding Patient List](#). We will speak to individuals required to shield about additional protective measures in school or arrangements for home working or home learning.

## Other Measures

If recommended, we will limit:

- Residential educational visits
- Transition or taster days
- Cluster schools events
- Parents coming into school
- Live performances

We will also reinstate a bubble system to minimise contact across school.

### Attendance Restrictions

Attendance restrictions will only be recommended as a last resort. If recommended, we will implement the measures in these sections:

1. Eligibility to remain in school
2. Education and support for pupils at home
3. Wraparound care
4. Safeguarding

#### Eligibility to remain in school

In the first instance, we would stay open for:

- Vulnerable pupils
- Children of critical workers

#### Education and support for pupils at home

All other pupils will be required to stay at home and will receive remote education. We will aim to deliver remote education that meets the same quality and quantity of education that pupils would receive in school, as outlined in the document 'Providing Remote Education Information for Parents' which can be found on the school's website.

The school will continue to provide school lunch provision for children eligible for free school meals whilst they are not attending school because of COVID - 19 isolation guidelines.

### Wraparound Care

We will limit access to before and after-school care to those who need it most. We will communicate who will be eligible to attend once the restrictions are confirmed.

### Safeguarding

We will review our child protection policy to make sure it reflects the local restrictions and remains effective. We will aim to have a trained Designated Safeguard Lead (DSL) or deputy DSL at school at all times. If this is not possible, a DSL from a school within the cluster will be made available to Plumpton School.