

Acorn Park School- COVID-19 - Our school health and safety arrangements

We recognise that our health and safety responsibilities apply to the management of COVID-19.

We are committed to operating our school in a way that protects the safety of everyone.

We have undertaken a risk assessment and put new measures in place for COVID-19 and we have introduced a range of new measures to reduce the risk of virus transmission.

Our new measures include:

- Ensuring we have the facilities available to encourage excellent personal and respiratory hygiene (bins, tissues, wash hand basins, liquid soap and hand sanitiser)
- Ensuring we maintain excellent environmental cleaning across our buildings and site
- Grouping pupils and staff to limit the contact with others where it is possible to do so by making changes to timetables, break and lunch times.
- Making changes in classrooms and other spaces to promote social distancing.
- Ensuring our school is well ventilated.
- Arrangements to welcome essential visitors safely.
- Increasing the way that we communicate our new arrangements.
- Educating and supporting pupils in personal and respiratory hygiene.
- Providing our staff with information, instruction and training so that they can work safely.
- Asking our pupils about their health and making sure that they can let us know about how they are feeling.
- Ensuring that our staff are fit to work and go home immediately if they develop symptoms.
- Looking after pupils if they develop symptoms while they are awaiting collection.
- Working with parents and carers to support our new arrangements by following the new arrangements and encouraging pupils to follow hand and respiratory hygiene at all times.

We will:

- Follow Government guidelines on infection control.
- Consider the individual health needs and personal circumstances of our staff and pupils in our risk assessment processes.
- Provide our staff with the information, instruction and training they need to carry out their roles for everyone's safety.



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Chair of Governors



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Head of Service

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