Noadswood

Post Step 4 – September 2021 (Live Document)



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Reviewed by: Noadswood staff team, comments invited and Risk Assessment to remain under daily and weekly review	
	Governor authorisation:
	Date

RA Matrix	Potential worst consequence								
Likelihood	Minor	Serious	Major	Fatal					
Certain	5	10	15	20					
Likely	4	8	12	16					
Possible	3	6	9	12					
Unlikely	2	4	6	8					
Rare	1	2	3	4					

Risk Level:	Action and Timescales:					
Low	Monitoring is required to ensure that the controls are maintained.					
Medium	onsider if the risk can be reduced further. Monitoring is required to ensure that the controls are maintained.					
High	ve priority to removing or reducing the risk, urgent action should be taken.					
STOP	tivity should NOT be started or continued until the risk has been removed or at least reduced and approval signature given by HT.					

What are the hazards? How might persons be harmed?	Who does this affect?	What are we already doing to safeguard health, safety, and welfare?	Risk Matrix Rating (1- 20, Low, Medium, High, STOP)	What further actions can be taken, and by whom and when?	Projected Risk Rating (After further action)	Date of review of further actions	Further action complet e date			
Through this risk a	Through this risk assessment, the control measures put in place along with the ongoing reviews, Noadswood considers that the overall risk of Covid-19 transmission or									

contraction is **LOW**. However, we acknowledge that we cannot eliminate the risk: we can put in place control measures to minimise the risk.

Noadswood continues to monitor the local and national situation and do everything reasonably practicable to keep everyone safe.

Please see the links to the guidance adhered to, including from SAGE, regarding the risk level of students and staff when returning to school which is at the bottom of this risk assessment.

This document has been produced in dialogue and partnership with other schools in the New Forest group of schools and colleges, with whom we are taking a shared and thorough approach to risk management. At Noadswood, we seek the feedback from all stakeholders as this risk assessment comes to life to make it dynamic and effective for all.

Risk of Covid-19	Staff	Weekly health reminders and procedures sent	8 - High	The school is operating with all students	4 -	This is a live
transmission to	Students	to all parents and carers of students in school.		in and following post step 4 government guidance	Medium	document
others and spread of	Visitors	Hygiene Practice as below to be adhered to daily by all		Weekly review of this risk		and will be
infection across the	Vulnerable	people arriving and being on site:		assessment and procedures by		reviewed
site.		 Students/staff encouraged to wash 		SLT		weekly and
	Potentially all adults	hands/sanitise as they arrive on site.		• 'Open door' policy to enable		amended as
	and children are at risk	Students to be encouraged to bring own hand		staff to feedback to SLT via		necessary by
	of catching the virus	sanitizer in where possible.		email and end of day feedback		SLT.
	and/or spreading the	Students and staff can wear PPE to school and		on FROG form		
	virus during their time	in school. Reusable face shields available for all		Parents/carers to make		SLT are
	at the school site.	members of the school if they would like one.		suggestions via health@ email following feedback from their		responsible
		Full PPE available for first aid/medical care		child		for reviewing
		(and intimate carers, though no students		 Cleaning at the end of each 		the risk
		requiring this care are back on site yet)		day for all areas, especially		assessment
		• Students/staff to wash hands or sanitise once		touch points		and in light of
		in the building, and before entering a				stakeholder
		classroom or office and each time they leave				feedback
		and re- enter a room.				
		• Students and staff encouraged to wash their				
		hands/sanitise hands on leaving school				
		• Students have seating plans in every class and				
		are expected to remain in these designated				
		seats.				
		• Internal doors where fire regulations/flexibility				
		permits will be kept open to avoid constant				
		contact with doors and door handles.				
		Reception has a Perspex screen				
		• Classrooms will be cleaned by cleaners at the				
		end of each school day.				
		Touch points to be cleaned regularly				
		Staff toilets:				
		Handwashing instructions in				
		washrooms				

Contact/Closeness to others.: Social distancing guidance not adhered to. Student lack of understanding or adherence to the need to social distance may mean they get closer than the 2m to other pupils or staff, resulting in anxiety	Staff Students Visitors Vulnerable Potentially all adults and children are at risk of catching the virus and/or spreading the virus during their time at the school site.	 All staff have completed a wellbeing survey. Those identified as shielding follow current government guidance / revised guidance from the government or their GP. Those in other vulnerable groups according to guidance/with challenging caring responsibilities to be met with to ensure support in place Classroom windows and doors will be open for the duration of the day to assist air flow and ventilation. If windows and doors are to be closed Students encouraged to remain in their social areas Staggered time for students to minimise traffic in the school at social time Clear routes around the school site adhered to by every person on site and the one-way system followed to mitigate internal bottle necks All students to be briefed on the importance of social distancing and 'personal responsibility' for looking after one another 	8 - High	Normal school operations continue, though with the staggered social times and one way system, • Weekly review of this risk assessment and procedures by SLT • 'Open door' policy to enable staff to feedback to SLT via email and end of day feedback on the FROG form link • Parents/carers to make suggestions via health@ email following feedback from their child	4 - Medium	
or transmission of infection Inadequate staffing levels causing safety concern Management of students/staff on site to maintain safe staffing levels	Staff Students Visitors Vulnerable Potentially all adults and children are at risk of catching the virus	- Additional cover staff on rota for cover if member of staff absence/ill.	4 - Medium	-Daily review by DHT regarding staffing levels required for the next day and weekly review by SLT -Dynamic response by DHT to on site staffing levels requesting additional staff to attend on the day if needed (owing to staff illness or absence)	2 - Low	

Insufficient staffing levels lead to potential crisis, accident, injury or death to adults or students. Students on site not following expectations which increases potential risk of infection and worry/anxiety to others on site Colleagues on site not adhering to systems increasing potential risk of infection and worry/anxiety to others.	and/or spreading the virus during their time at the school site.	 Clear expectations shared with students, parents/carers and colleagues about personal responsibilities and looking after one another 	4 - Medium	 SLT are confident that social distancing and control measures are in place and will monitor adherence to these and their effectiveness daily. Personal responsibility important – message of collectively looking out for one another will be repeated by tutors / assemblies / social media and messages 	2 - Low	
Transmission of Covid-19 whilst caring for a child or adult that is unwell	Staff Students Visitors Vulnerable Potentially all adults and children are at risk of catching the virus and/or spreading the virus during their time at the school site.	 Treating students and staff: Anyone involved in this work must try to keep a 2M distance from students and other staff unless wearing appropriate PPE (see below). If a child is injured or unwell while in school and needs direct personal care key welfare/first aid colleagues will wear appropriate PPE, keep contact to a minimum and wash hands prior and after to contact with the child If staff or pupils develop coronavirus symptoms while at school they must be sent home as soon as possible. Symptoms: a new continuous cough a high temperature a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell In the case of a student becoming unwell with symptoms of coronavirus while in school and needing direct personal care until they can return home a fluid-resistant face mask should 		 DFE guidance states that wearing a face covering or face mask in schools is not required, and therefore staff and pupils are not required to wear them. (See DFE guidance - Implementing protective measures in education) To recognise that a face covering is regarded as of benefit in other settings in society and whenever 2m distancing cannot be maintained, and also provides reassurance, the school is making a provision of face shields for all colleagues and students who wish to wear one. Each person will be offered a face shield and they have the choice to accept it and wear it. They should be cleaned daily by the wearer or parent 	4 - Medium	

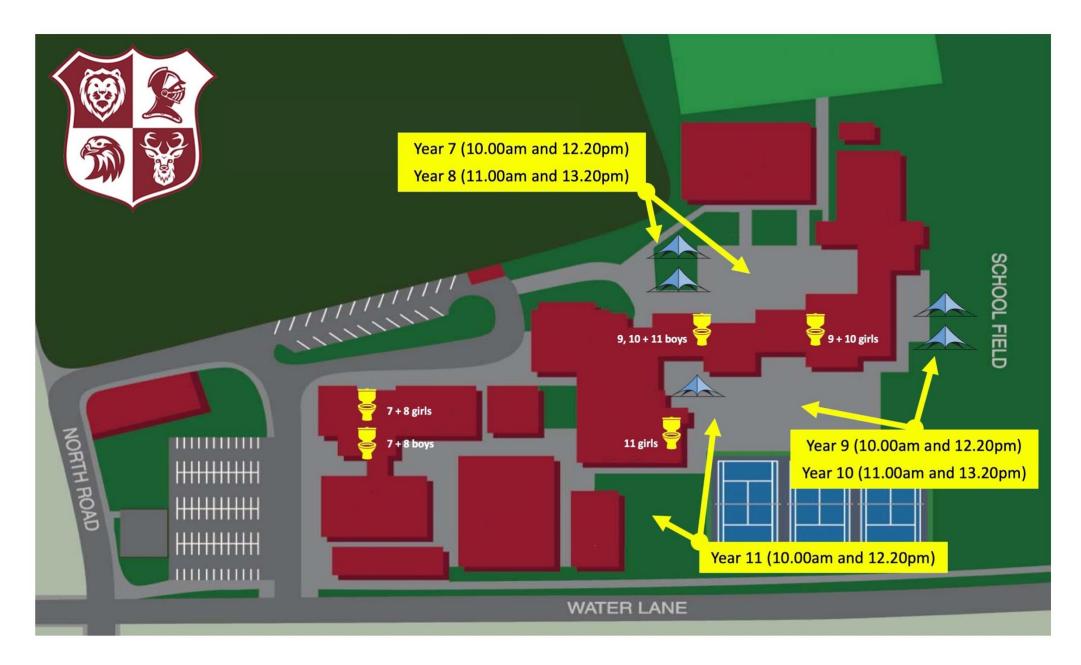
be worn by the supervising adult (welfare	with a normal household		
assistant) and the student if a distance of 2	cleaner and cloth. Info going		
metres cannot be maintained.	home to parents with respect		
 If contact with the child or young person is 	to this.		
necessary, then disposable gloves, a disposable	 The face shields issued are re- usable by each individual 		
apron and a fluid-resistant surgical face mask	wearer and are the face		
should be worn by the supervising adult.	coverings we will encourage		
• If a dynamic risk assessment determines that	students who wish to wear		
there is a risk of splashing to the eyes, for	one to make use of in school.		
example from coughing, spitting, or vomiting,	- Daily review of the risk		
then eye protection should also be worn.	assessment and first aid		
• The supervising adult must supervise the pupil	procedures will ensure safe practice is adhered to when		
in a space ventilated and isolated from others	social distancing may be		
e.g. medical room currently conference room.	problematic		
• The supervising adult must notify SLT member	 Any waste generated from a 		
on call asap who will notify site team (to	person presenting with		
unlock the correct door) and contact PHE	potential covid-19 symptoms must be double bagged by the		
immediately to gain advice with respect to the	first aider in PPE and taken to		
child's/adult's bubble and next steps regarding	the marked bin by the site		
who must self-isolate/specific cleaning.	team in the site compound.		
Welfare assistant will inform Reception			
colleague by radio that a parent has been			
asked to come and collect a student who is			
showing COVID symptoms.			
When parent/carer arrives, Reception			
colleagues will send them round to the double			
doors into the Science/Admin link, they will			
radio the Welfare Assistant who can then			
escort the child to the double doors and			
'release' them to the parents. Both 'sets'			
involved in this protocol already have a radio.			
• Colleagues will also leave by the same exit.			
CPR: For Welfare Assistant or First Aider:			
1. Call 999 immediately – tell the call handler if			
the patient has any COVID-19 symptoms			
2. Ask for help. If a portable defibrillator is			
available, ask for it			
3. Before starting CPR, to minimise transmission			
risk, use a cloth or towel to cover the patient's mouth			

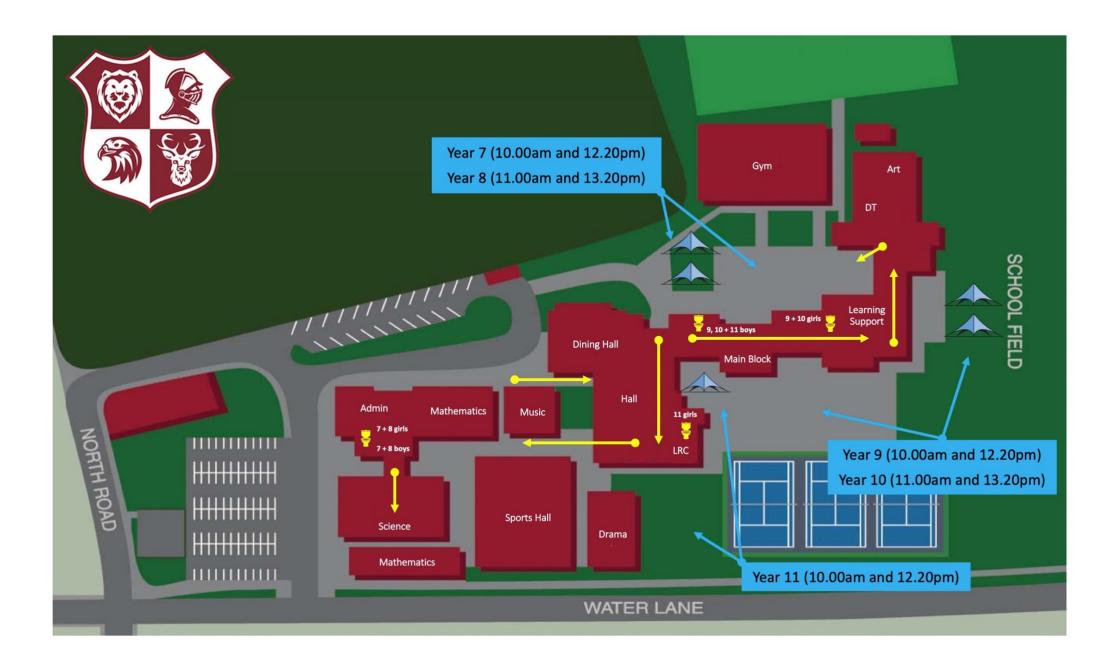
		and nose, while still permitting breathing to restart				
		following successful resuscitation				
		4. Use the full PPE:				
		Disposable gloves				
		Disposable apron				
		Fluid-resistant surgical face mask				
		Eye protection (visor or goggles)				
Risk to staff safety	Staff	- Noadswood continues to operate in the	4 -	- SLT are confident that	2 - Low	
and wellbeing	Stan	normal sense, though with some mitigating	Medium	reasonable control measures	2 2000	
	Potentially all adults	procedures including staggered timings, social	Wealdin	are in place and will monitor		
	and children are at risk	spaces and encouragement to wear masks /		adherence to these and their		
	of catching the virus	keep a 2m distance where possible		effectiveness daily.		
	and/or spreading the			- Colleagues to be encouraged		
		- All colleagues have completed wellbeing		to report to their line		
	virus during their time at the school site.	survey and those who fall in to the critically		manager any concerns. All Team Leaders and SLT to be		
	at the school site.	vulnerable or critically extremely vulnerable according to current guidance are supported		reminded to pass on any		
		to do so.		concerns at SLT meetings		
		- The HT and other key leaders read the		standing item about the RA.		
		guidance daily as updates are sent, and our				
		support of colleagues is dynamic, taking in all				
		relevant underlying medical conditions, advice				
		on those who are pregnant, who are BAME				
		members of staff etc.				
		- Staff briefings to be conducted virtually twice				
		weekly to ensure key information is				
		disseminated to staff. Recorded to ensure it				
		can be accessed by all.				
		- All to continue to have contact regularly with				
		their LM and SLT members and ongoing SLT				
		'open door' for any worries and concerns.				
		- Staff can wear PPE to school if they wish to,				
		and the school is providing a face shield for				
		each colleague if they would like one.				
		 Handwashing or sanitising availability will 				
		continue whilst out significant stocks remain				
		- Discussion of all colleague concerns at SLT				
		briefings and meetings.				
Students with specific	Students	 Students who have underlying health 	4 –	- Medical information to be	2 - Low	
medical conditions	Vulnerable	conditions that make them extremely	Medium	updated for students with		
		clinically vulnerable or clinically vulnerable		medical conditions whose		

		 have been identified and we follow the latest government guidance closely. Support for these students provided by SENDCO/SLT/House Leaders Your child has XYZ will they have the required meds with them? if not already held in school Are there any extra precautions you/your child has been asked to take in relation to their condition? 		parents wish them to attend school during the pandemic and procedures agreed by parents, welfare assistant and conveyed to other colleagues as required.		
Lack of knowledge of new procedures	Staff Students Visitors Vulnerable Potentially all adults and children are at risk of catching the virus and/or spreading the virus during their time at the school site.	 All staff and students to be given the latest changes as we go back to normal operation – this includes reminders about post step 4 changes and should any measures come back into force 	4 - Medium	 If Premises Manager working from home, need to ensure site team members have been fully briefed and have bulletproof step by step guide/ one of them needs to be able to deal with the fire brigade and/or stand them down. 	2 - Low	

National lockdown	Staff	- If this comes into play from national guidance	4 –	• Stock to be monitored by DHT	2 – low	
picture changes	Volunteers	we are in a position to be able to mobilise	medium	and volunteers contacted if		
where local area		quickly		national picture looks like this		
required to rapid test		- We have 3x days worth of rapid tests for the		would become likely		
on site (government		entire school in stock, with a 3 day turn-				
enhanced response		around for more stock so if Noadswood was				
required)		identified as an area which needed an				
		enhanced response we would:				
		 Order more rapid test stock 				
		 Setup the testing stations again 				
		• Key members of staff remember				
		able to test				
		Volunteer details are on record and				
		we would reach out to them again				
		to reduce burden on staff (beneficial				
		but not solely relied on to operate				
		safely) *This is now unlikely post				
		step 4				

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11		
8.40am			Tutor Time	Tutor Time			
9.00am	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1	Lesson 1		
10.00am	Break		Break	Lassan 2	Break		
10.20am	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2	Lesson 2 Break	Lesson 2		
11.00am	Lesson 2	Break	Lesson 2		Lesson 2		
11.20am	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3	Lesson 3		
12.20pm	Lunch	Lesson 4	Lunch	Lesson 4	Lunch		
12.50pm							
13.20pm	Lesson 4	Lunch	Lesson 4	Lunch	Lesson 4		
13.50pm	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5	Lesson 5		
14.50pm			End of Day				





Information in this risk assessment is informed by: Department for Education SAGE guidance

Office of National Statistics

Public Health England South East Health Protection Team

Consultation and co-drafting with other local schools and colleges

Guidance from Professional Associations: Association of School and College Leaders, NAHT and NASUWT to date. Other guidance requested should colleagues wish to share it.