

## High Hesket CE School Premises Risk Assessment

RA reference	HHS2	Activity description	Infection prevention and control				
Assessment date	1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021	Assessor name	Amy Harvey, Headteacher				
Assessment team members	Amy Harvey, Headteacher Leanne Day, Assistant Headteacher Jen Ager, Assistant Headteacher	Planned review date	September 2022				
Location	High Hesket CE School	Number of people exposed	Approximately 200				
Overall residual risk level following implementation of effective control measures	Medium risk Professionals in Public Health, Health and Safety and LA services will continue to work closely with recognised trade union colleagues to promote safe working procedures, suitable safety controls and limit risk.	People exposed	All employees Pupils Visitors Contractors Members of the public Vulnerable children/adults Persons with pre-existing medical conditions First aiders New/expectant mothers				
DfE helpline 0800 046 8687 (se	DfE helpline 0800 046 8687 (select option 1 for advice on action to take in response to a positive case)						
Assessment last updated	5 <sup>th</sup> December 2021 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2022	Is this an acceptable risk?	Yes/ No				

**Training:** All staff will receive training and information proportionate and relevant to the activity that is being undertaken.

**Monitor and review:** This risk assessment and its implementation will be monitored on at least a weekly basis and will take account of any new or updated guidance and ensure that the control measures remain relevant and effective.

**Communication and consultation:** Regular updates will be provided to all staff through team meetings/staff bulletins – feedback and comments will be welcomed. Copies of this risk assessment will be available on our school website.

Hazard description and how people are at risk	Potential risk	Current control measures (those that are in place)	Additional control measures (to be identified and implemented)	Residual risk	Action details by whom by when
Hazards in relation to spread of COVID-19 in educational settings	Medium 12	<ul> <li>We will continue to follow national and local government guidance, HR and Public Health advice in respect of staff returning to the workplace.</li> <li>We will continue to plan for safe occupancy/staff ratios in the event that temporary measures are reintroduced such as social distancing and reduced classroom numbers.</li> <li>We continue to review, amend, update and communicate our school's Operations IPC Risk Assessment.</li> <li>Our Induction/Staff Handbook has been updated to include information and guidance on dealing with the COVID-19</li> <li>Catch it Kill it Bin it Posters are prominently displayed around the building.</li> <li>The out-of-hours contact number for the Local Authority is prominently displayed.</li> </ul>	□ We may reintroduce additional measures for temporary periods to reduce mixing between groups in the event of any potential viral infection outbreak and following the advice from the local IPC team or UKHSA.	Medium 8	Ongoing
Re-occupation  Control of premises-related hazards	Medium 6	□ Premises/H&S inspections and required statutory checks/inspections (buildings and outdoor areas inspections have been completed prior to the setting re-opening).	□ Annual School Premises H&S inspection checklist	Medium 8	Ongoing

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School premises/ building-related health and safety		<ul> <li>Essential remedial actions have been undertaken to ensure that the premises and outdoor areas are safe.</li> </ul>			
management/outdoor spaces/ fixed/mobile equipment	Medium 8	Water systems  ☐ Suitable remedial actions have taken place to ensure that water systems are fit for use with legionella/water hygiene controls in place.  ☐ Kitchen equipment and seldomused outlets are included in flushing and cleaning regimes.		Low 4	Ongoing
	Medium 8	Gas and electrical systems  Gas and electrical safety checks have been carried out and systems are safe to operate.		Low 4	Ongoing
	Medium 8	Fire safety management systems  Fire safety management systems have been checked, fire alarms, emergency lighting, fire safety equipment are in place and functional.  Fire risk assessment and emergency evacuation procedures are reviewed and in place with any changes to fire escape routes communicated to all staff.	<ul> <li>In the event of the reintroduction of any restrictions we will continue to</li> </ul>	Low 4	Ongoing

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		<ul> <li>Fire drills will continue in line with normal procedures.</li> </ul>	endeavour to maintain social distancing at assembly points.		
	Medium 8	Asbestos monitoring  ☐ Visual asbestos monitoring is undertaken to ensure that any insitu ACMs remain in good condition.	☐ Where we are contacted regarding forthcoming asbestos surveys, we recognise this is classed as essential works and we will permit access to contractors.	Low 4	Ongoing
	Medium 8	Security systems  Security systems have been checked and are operational.		Low 4	Ongoing
Poor ventilation and heating issues	Medium 12	<ul> <li>The building will remain well-ventilated where possible using natural ventilation.</li> <li>Classroom windows and doors will be kept partially open to allow acceptable ventilation whilst maintaining a reasonable temperature as required by the Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations.</li> <li>Classroom windows will be opened wider during breaks and lunchtimes when the rooms are empty, to air the rooms.</li> <li>Heaters will be operating to maintain a reasonable temperature during cold spells, and we will encourage staff and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>We will open high level windows where possible.</li> <li>The fire doors of all unoccupied rooms will remain closed when rooms are empty.</li> <li>Where classroom doors are not fire doors, they can be left open during break times.</li> <li>We will avoid opening windows in toilets where mechanical ventilation is in place to ensure the right direction of ventilation.</li> </ul>	Medium 8	Ongoing

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		pupils to wear extra layers and warmer clothing.  Mechanical ventilation systems have been serviced and checked.  We will continue to follow HSE guidance and CIBSE guidance regarding ventilation and air conditioning.	□ CO2 monitors provided to all classrooms and staff directed to familiarise with information at <a href="https://www.coschools.org.uk/?s=09">https://www.coschools.org.uk/?s=09</a>		
Lack of cleaning/ hygiene/waste management	Medium 12	alcohol) are available at all entrance points and where there are no sinks.  In the event of any viral infection outbreak or where necessary, we will agree on additional resources/cleaning regimes to ensure robust cleaning, including high contact touch points, is carried out.  We maintain a supply of cleaning materials that are stored away safely. We have safety data sheets for all of our cleaning products.		Medium 8	Ongoing
		<ul> <li>Kitchen and/or food preparation areas will be deep-cleaned prior to the resumption of any food preparation.</li> <li>Safe systems of work have been developed locally to ensure appropriate measures</li> </ul>			

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		<ul> <li>are in place for laundering, cleaning, and decontamination of soiled items and/or equipment.</li> <li>Arrangements are in place for the disposal of clinical waste and general lidded bins provided where required.</li> <li>Pest control measures are in place.</li> </ul>			
Access and egress  Controlling the risks from visitors to premises including contractors/ deliveries	Medium 12	<ul> <li>We will continue to operate a 'keep to the left' system around the setting</li> <li>We will update our website together with local cascade of clear guidance for parents on the precautions and sites rules to be followed.</li> <li>Non-essential visits are arranged at the discretion of the headteacher/manager and will be managed on a case-by-case basis.</li> <li>Effective contractor management procedures are in place to manage access for essential works/statutory maintenance/testing.</li> <li>Delivery drop-off points have been agreed and will remain in place until further notice.</li> </ul>	□ We will carry out 'end of day' security checks to ensure that all windows have been closed.	Medium 8	Ongoing
Toilets	Medium 12	<ul> <li>We will ensure sufficient supplies of soap and paper towels and ensure that the hand dryers have been</li> </ul>		Medium 8	Ongoing

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		serviced as per manufacturer's instructions.  Appropriate signage is displayed in toilets to remind about regular handwashing and good hygiene and to use the waste bins provided.		

To be comp	To be completed by the individual undertaking the risk assessment:							
Name:	Amy Harvey	Job title:	Headteacher					
Signature	A. Marvey	Date:	1st September 2021					
To be comp	leted by the headteacher:							
	I consider this risk assessment to be suitable and sufficient to control the risks to the health and safety of both employees undertaking the tasks involved and any other person who may be affected by the activities.							
Name:	Amy Harvey	Job title	Headteacher					
Signature:	A. Marvey	Date:	1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021					

# Useful links and guidance:

<u>Schools COVID-19 operational guidance</u> <u>Cleaning of non-healthcare settings outside the home</u>

Assessment of fresh air (ventilation) in the workplace (hse.gov.uk)

Ventilation and air conditioning during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic (hse.gov.uk)

#### Likelihood:

Very unlikely, e.g. 1 in 1,000,000 chance of it happening Unlikely, e.g. 1 in 100,000 chance of it happening Possible, e.g. likely to occur during standard operations Likely, e.g. has been known to happen before Very likely, e.g. it is almost certain that something will happen

Severi	ty:
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Insignificant No injury

Minor Minor injuries requiring first aid
Moderate First aid/RIDDOR reportable incident
Major Serious injury/hospital attendance
Most severe Disabling injury, long term ill-health
or fatality

### 15-25 Unacceptable.

Stop activity and make immediate improvements

### 6-12 Tolerable

Look to improve within a specified timescale

#### 1-5 Acceptable

No further action, but ensure controls are maintained

	Severity								
		1 Insignificant	2 Minor	3 Moderate	4 Major	5 Most Severe			
	5 Very Likely	5 Low Risk	10 Medium Risk	15 High Risk	20 High Risk	25 High Risk			
Likel	4 Likely	4 Low Risk	8 Medium Risk	12 Medium Risk	16 High Risk	20 High Risk			
Likelihood	3 Possible	3 Low Risk	6 Medium Risk	9 Medium Risk	12 Medium Risk	15 High Risk			
	2 Unlikely	2 Low Risk	4 Low Risk	6 Medium Risk	8 Medium Risk	10 Medium Risk			
	1 Very Unlikely	1 Low Risk	2 Low Risk	3 Low Risk	4 Low Risk	5 Low Risk			