



First Aid Policy - Covid-19 Addendum

Suspected COVID-19 Case - Unwell Child or Staff Member

Infection Protection

We aim to minimise contact with individuals who are unwell.

If anyone has any of the following symptoms they are advised to stay home. The Covid-19 symptoms are:

1. a new, continuous cough or
2. a high temperature or
3. a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Explanation of the symptoms from the NHS website:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If a child has a temperature of 37.6 C or above parents will be asked to take them home, monitor their temperature and symptoms. They will be advised to get tested for Covid-19 using an LFD Test. It is advised to stay home until the child has a negative test result and/or they are well enough to return to school.

If a Child Becomes Symptomatic with Covid-19 at School

If a child becomes symptomatic of Covid-19, they will be:

- taken to the medical room with just the first aider present
- parents will be called and asked to collect the child
- the first aider will comfort and reassure the child explaining that they will be collected soon
- a window will be opened for ventilation
- if it is not possible to isolate the child, move them to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people.

In an emergency, the school will call 999.



Ensure the symptomatic individual places all tissues in the pedal bin or bucket.

PPE can be worn by the staff first aider when attending to a child if the child is coughing:

- apron
- medical clear gloves
- face mask
- face shield

After use of the face shield, spray and wipe down then return to the first aid cabinet. Throw all other PPE away in the pedal bin in the medical room.

Cleaning and Disposal of Waste after Suspected Covid-19 Case

Waste from possible cases and cleaning of areas where possible cases have been in contact (including disposable cloths and tissues) should be double bagged and disposed of in the clinical waste bins.

After the child leaves, the staff member who was with the child should:

- wash their hands thoroughly for 20 seconds, clean the area of isolation with normal household disinfectant after the child/ staff member with symptoms has left

Any staff member who had contact with the child who was unwell should wash their hands for a minimum of 20 seconds. After cleaning the area and disposing of waste the staff member should again wash their hands using the 20 second procedure.

If a member of staff has helped someone who was unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, they do not need to go home if they are not symptomatic.

If the staff member develops symptoms themselves they will be advised to stay home until they have a negative LFD test result and are well enough to return.



Testing and Self Isolation for a Suspected Case of Covid-19 in a Pupil or Staff Member

If a staff member or pupil has a suspected case of Covid-19 they are advised to:

- Stay at home whilst ill
- Take an LFD test
- if the test is positive you are advised to stay home until well enough to return and retest before returning to school
- If the test is negative you are advised to stay home until you are well enough to return
- If you still have a high temperature after 10 days or are otherwise unwell, you are advised to stay at home and seek medical advice.

Parents and staff members will be advised to remain vigilant about symptoms. Parents should inform the school if their child, themselves or any member of their household develops symptoms.

If a pupil or staff member gets tested for Covid-19 using a PCR or LFD Test

If the pupil or staff member gets a test for Covid-19, please notify the school of the result as soon as possible. You are advised to stay home whilst unwell and until you have a negative LFD test result.

Review

This policy will be reviewed termly or sooner or if there is any change in statutory guidance or legislation. See 'Policy Review Schedule'.

Adopted in a meeting at Alamiyah School on 29/05/2020

Signed: H Musa (Headteacher) and S Motara (Chair of Trustees)