

## EVF 8

Risk Assessment / Risk Management Record Physical Education Site / Environment

Date of Risk

Assessment

School:

Site and its Risk **Control Measure** Risk Hazard Who Any HML HML Further may be environment affected Rating Rating Action (Prior) (Post) Covid 19 All Compliance with all aspects of Government Guidance around Social distancing Μ L suitable social distancing. Agreed school practices applied and all mangement Personal hygiene staff are aware of expectations: Equipment cleaning https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-Area / Zone covid-19 cleaning Social distancing of 2m where possible at all times Ratios • Regular handwashing with warm soapy water for 20 seconds or more Regular cleaning with suitable solutions and disinfectant by suitable persons Compliance with age / activity related guidance around numbers and ratios Suitable signage on display **Physical Education / Physical Activity and COVID-19** management When looking at pupils returning to school, the following information is taken from advice shared by AfPE (Association for Physical Education) as well as advice from National Governing Bodies (NGB's) and other professional organisations. One thing is clear, we must approach activities and the use of resources and facilities with caution and under strict government / employer guidelines in order to minimise risks to pupil, staff and parents.

1.Class or group sizes
We know that, unlike older children and adults, early years and
primary age children cannot be expected to remain 2 metres apart
from each other and staff. In deciding to bring more children back to
early years schools should work through the hierarchy of measures
set out below:
•avoiding contact with anyone with symptoms
•frequent hand cleaning and good respiratory hygiene practices
•regular cleaning of settings
•minimising contact and mixing
Keep cohorts together and where possible ensure:
• that children and young people are always in the same small
groups each day, and different groups are not mixed during the day,
or on subsequent days
that the same teacher(s) and other staff are assigned to each
group and, as far as possible, these stay the same during the day
and on subsequent days, recognising for secondary and college
settings there will be some subject specialist rotation of staff
that wherever possible children and young people use the same
classroom or area of a setting throughout the day, with a thorough
cleaning of the rooms at the end of the day. In schools and colleges,
you may want to consider seating students at the same desk each
day if they attend on consecutive days
2.Cleaning and hygiene
Please follow the COVID-19: cleaning of non-healthcare settings
guidance, ensuring that:
enough handwashing facilities are available. Where a sink is not
nearby, provide hand sanitiser in classrooms and other learning
environments
surfaces that children and young people are touching, such as
toys, books, desks, chairs, doors, sinks, toilets, light switches,
bannisters are cleaned more regularly than normal
• all adults and children frequently wash their hands with soap and
water for 20 seconds and dry thoroughly.
Review the guidance on hand cleaning and ensure that:
• children clean their hands upon arrival at the setting, before and
after eating, and after sneezing or coughing

children are encouraged not to touch their mouth, eyes and nose
children use a tissue or elbow to cough or sneeze and use bins for
tissue waste ('catch it, bin it, kill it')
help is available for children and young people who have trouble
cleaning their hands independently
you consider how to encourage young children to learn and
practise these habits through games, songs and repetition
where possible, all spaces are well ventilated using natural
ventilation (opening windows) or ventilation units
<ul> <li>you prop doors open, where safe to do so (bearing in mind fire</li> </ul>
safety and safeguarding), to limit use of door handles and aid
ventilation
There is no need for anything other than normal personal hygiene
and washing of clothes following a day in an educational or
childcare setting
3. Physical spaces and movement of children
Reduce mixing within the education or childcare setting by:
accessing rooms directly from outside where possible
considering one-way circulation, or place a divider down the
middle of the corridor to keep groups apart as they move through
the setting where spaces are accessed by corridors
<ul> <li>staggering breaks to ensure that any corridors or circulation routes</li> </ul>
used have a limited number of pupils using them at any time
staggering lunch breaks - children and young people should clean
their hands beforehand and enter in the groups they are already in;
groups should be kept apart as much as possible and tables should
be cleaned between each group. If such measures are not possible,
children should be brought their lunch in their classrooms
<ul> <li>ensuring that toilets do not become crowded by limiting the</li> </ul>
number of children or young people who use the toilet facilities at
one time
Outside space could be used for:
• exercise and breaks
outdoor education, where possible, as this can limit transmission
and more easily allow for distance between children and staff
Please remember outdoor equipment should not be used unless the
setting is able to ensure that it is appropriately cleaned between
groups of children and young people using it, and that multiple

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	<ul> <li>groups do not use it simultaneously.</li> <li>For further clarification please read COVID-19 cleaning of non-healthcare settings guidance.</li> <li>Shared rooms:</li> <li>Use halls, dining areas and internal and external sports facilities for lunch and exercise at half capacity. If class groups take staggered breaks between lessons, these areas can be shared as long as different groups do not mix (and especially do not play sports or games together) and adequate cleaning between groups is in place, following the COVID-19: cleaning of non-healthcare settings guidance.</li> <li>4. Resources</li> <li>Reduce the use of shared resources by:</li> <li>seeking to prevent the sharing of equipment where possible</li> <li>ensuring shared materials and surfaces are cleaned and disinfected more frequently</li> <li>Practical lessons can go ahead if equipment can be cleaned thoroughly and the classroom or other learning environment is occupied by the same children or young people in one day, or properly cleaned between cohorts</li> <li>5. Further Information - Key facts</li> <li>1. You must follow COVID 19 hygiene management e.g. handwash, coughs, sneezes etc.</li> <li>2. You must endeavour to follow social distancing – 2 metres</li> <li>3. Not sharing equipment whole suitable cleaning, disinfecting</li> <li>4. Not sharing spaces that have been previously used without suitable cleaning, disinfecting</li> <li>5. Encurage other subjects to utilise outdoor spaces to deliver activities</li> <li>7. Report anyone who is unwell to senior staff and be fully aware of incident management around slips, trips, falls or other accidents to avoid unnecessary contact</li> </ul>