



Coronavirus: planning for tiered local restrictions

Blended education should be accessible for pupils who are not able to attend the school during a period of isolation or due to government interventions, enabling them to continue with their education.

The Blended education plan will be shared with all stakeholders via the school website, to ensure consistency of expectations and participation.

Here is what the 4 'tiers of restriction' will mean for Catshill First School & Nursery School and the actions we will take for each one:

TIER	WHAT IT MEANS FOR OUR SCHOOL	ACTIONS WE WILL TAKE
1	<p>We will remain open for all pupils.</p> <p>Deputy DSL to inform staff of pupils who are isolating due to COVID restrictions.</p>	<p>Work packs will be made available for children who have to self isolate for 10/14 days. We will use an age-appropriate 3 day pack for short term absence and a further 7 day pack for the remainder if/when required.</p>
2	<p>We will remain open for all pupils.</p> <p>As we are a First School deemed Primary we will be remaining open until directed to close by PH Worcestershire.</p>	<p>Absence requests</p> <p>We will only authorise absence during this period for illness and/or Covid related symptoms which will then involve the family securing a Covid test.</p> <p>Blended Learning arrangements</p> <p>Our Blended Learning strategy will inform how this operates. Pupils at home (see above regarding absence) will be supported with an educational programme that the school is able to deliver effectively using age-appropriate material with a 3 day and 7 day pack of work.</p> <p>Free school meals</p> <p>We will work with Shire Services and the LA to prepare meals, food parcels for all pupils eligible for free school meals, whether they are at home or on-site.</p> <p>Staffing arrangements</p> <p>All staff will continue to attend school as normal.</p> <p><i>We expect all staff to invoke their critical worker status for their child's educational place to ensure continuity of education for pupils at this school.</i></p>
3	<p>We will remain open for all pupils.</p> <p>As we are a First School deemed Primary we will be remaining open until directed to close by PH Worcestershire.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will remain open full-time for vulnerable pupils, the children of critical workers and selected bubble groups (the DfE/PH Worcestershire will identify these, dependent upon outbreak control) This will be using the effective infection control measures we have created to protect our bubbles. We will provide Blended Learning for all other pupils 	<p>As above plus:</p> <p>Vulnerable / Critical worker pupils</p> <p>We will strongly encourage vulnerable pupils to continue attending school. To do this, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with our local authority (LA) - Worcestershire Children First (WCF) Contact a pupil's parent or carer, and (where applicable) social worker if the pupil doesn't attend, to find out why and discuss their concerns Vulnerable / CW will attend their lessons in person with the staff member as per their usual timetable. <p>Absence requests</p> <p>Vulnerable pupils: All pupils should attend school.</p> <p>Staffing arrangements</p> <p>Staff will be expected to attend school and deliver their lessons and give feedback via "google meet/praise" and/or by preparing physical learning packs to those year pupils at home.</p> <p>Pastoral support provided through regular 'Keeping in Touch' phone calls/praise contact made by school staff.</p> <p><i>We expect all staff to invoke their critical worker status for their child's educational place to ensure continuity of education for pupils at this school.</i></p>

4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We will only remain open for vulnerable pupils and the children of critical workers ● We will provide Blended Learning for all other pupils 	<p>As above plus:</p> <p>All lessons will be taking place via Google Meet/Epraise and/or by preparing physical learning packs, as guided by our Blended Learning strategy.</p> <p>Vulnerable pupils / Children of Critical workers</p> <p>Depending on staffing, pupils will either attend the lesson in person with staff, or join via Google Meet/Epraise in supervised IT provision.</p> <p>Staffing</p> <p>We will expect staff to deliver lessons via Google Meet/Epraise or prepare physical learning packs. If this can be done effectively remotely, staff will be able to do so. If not, they will be expected to attend school and deliver lessons from a classroom with IT support as necessary.</p> <p><i>We expect all staff to invoke their critical worker status for their child's educational place to ensure continuity of education for pupils at this school.</i></p> <p>Pastoral support provided through regular 'Keeping in Touch' phone calls/epraise contact made by school staff.</p>
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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/containing-and-managing-local-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreaks/covid-19-contain-framework-a-guide-for-local-decision-makers>

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