

### RISK ASSESSMENT / CHECKLIST FOR FULL OPENING OF ALL SCHOOLS IN SEPTEMBER 2020

#### General notes including completion guidance:

- This form is intended to support all schools (including Alternative Provision, Pupil Referral Units and Special Schools) to prepare for their full opening in September 2020 with amendments made as guidance changes. This is in relation to the Government's plan for all pupils to return in the autumn term.
- This Risk Assessment / checklist should be used, added to, and modified to suit your school or setting. You may need to adapt this to your own context and school, including adding further measures and mitigations. You should fill in the blanks as appropriate and ensure any dates for action are completed. Please do not forget that you may need to add in additional points which are specific to your setting. The Word document will expand to enable this.
- The format of this risk assessment should be familiar to you, as it is no different to the format you will have used when thinking about re-opening for fewer pupils, or when wider-opening.
- This risk assessment will complement the previous assessment you undertook in the summer term 2020. Some items **may** be the same but now have new implications in terms of more personnel on site so your controls will have changed. Some items may qualify the work already done and new items (if relevant) may override previous Government guidance and therefore needs addressing again. The majority of the previous assessment still stands and therein lies the importance of a regular review.
- The form is a series of **positive** statements reflecting the safety of personnel in a school where full opening is planned in September 2020. Against each statement, you need to tick either 'yes' or 'no/NA'.
- If you answer 'no' to a statement, you need to either complete that point by putting in measures to meet the standard **OR** note why you cannot do that. If it is not applicable, please note why.
- The new Government guidance, published 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020, has been followed in terms of risk identification and each section is noted in the first column. The actions that school leaders should take to minimise the risk of transmission in schools is Public Health advice, endorsed by Public Health England.
- In addition to the statements within the assessment there is a list of further planning considerations available on Suffolk Learning (COVID-19 Health & Safety pages) at <a href="https://www.suffolklearning.co.uk/leadership-staff-development/health-safety-wellbeing/coronavirus:-covid-19">https://www.suffolklearning.co.uk/leadership-staff-development/health-safety-wellbeing/coronavirus:-covid-19</a> please note, not all these are strictly 'H&S' but may assist when thinking about general risk.
- All efforts have been made to ensure this document is up to date (as of the date within the header) but due to this evolving situation, please do ensure you keep a watchful eye on the Gov.UK website, Suffolk Headlines and Suffolk Learning, for any new measures required.
- Further guidance on risk assessments in general can be found on Suffolk Learning and the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) website all weblinks are at the end of this document. Sources are cited.
- There are some areas which point to other forms, such as your Fire Logbook, the Asbestos Management Plan, your Water Hygiene Risk Assessment, etc. It is imperative that ALL these areas are reviewed.
- Each main section has been given a header number and the standards are numbered within the section. When you note your additional controls needed **OR** note that you cannot meet the standard, you can mirror the numbers in the second column so it makes it clear for you.
- You must consult with your staff, your Governing Body / Management Committee during the assessment process and you must share the completed assessment with them. Ensure that you make the assessment readily available to Union representatives and parents / carers.
- The Government Guidance stipulates that:
  - "The measures set out in this guidance provide a framework for school leaders to put in place proportionate protective measures for children and staff, which also ensure that all pupils receive a high quality education that enables them to thrive and progress. In welcoming all children back this autumn, schools will be asked to minimise the number of contacts that a pupil has during the school day **as part** of implementing the system of controls (outlined below) to reduce the risk of transmission. If schools follow the guidance set out here, they can be confident they are managing risk effectively." <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools</a>

# RISK ASSESSMENT / CHECKLIST November 2020

Date of	November 5 <sup>th</sup> 2020	Assessed by			
assessment:		(job title / name):	April Grimes		
Local		Other	SLT		
reference	N/A	people	Shelley Egan UNION rep		
number:		involved	, ,		
		with this			
Name and	Forest Assels	assessment: Reason for	The Government's requirement that		
address of	Forest Academy	assessment:	there is a full opening of the school		
school:	Bury Road	ussessinent.	in September 2020 during the		
	Brandon		COVID-19 situation. From November		
	Suffolk		5 <sup>th</sup> there will be a second national		
	IP27 OFP		lockdown but schools will remain		
			open.		
Identification	<ul><li>Students</li></ul>				
of those at	<ul> <li>Their family groups</li> </ul>				
risk:	<ul><li>Staff</li><li>Their family groups</li></ul>				
	<ul><li>Their family groups</li><li>Contractors and esse</li></ul>	ential visitors			
	<ul><li>Their family groups</li></ul>				
Harm which			is is a virus which has serious effects which		
could occur:	mentally. The UK has suffere	-	es immense distress both physically and		
		-	omeone with a confirmed case of COVID-19,		
			surface, and those who have been notified by		
		lue to previous c	ontact with a diagnosed case they are open to		
	exposure.	a especially at rich	k from infection are clearly described in the		
			id) and those people may still be shielding or		
	self-isolating.	·			
		tently adhere to	the current national social distancing rules.		
Headteacher nai	me and signature:	April Crima			
		April Grime	25		
	ors / Trust / Management		stone (Chair)		
Committee nam	e and signature:		Mary Andrew (Premises)		
		Jo Wilson (	Safeguarding and Welfare)		

- If you have a concern or query about your risk assessment, please contact the LA's Safety, Health and Wellbeing Advisor at <a href="mailto:nina.bickerton@suffolk.gov.uk">nina.bickerton@suffolk.gov.uk</a>.
- You should contact your SEO or call 01473 263942 if you would like to discuss your planning.
- For leaders' wellbeing support: 01473 265656 (new phone number) or email: leadershipwellbeingsupport@suffolk.gov.uk
- Any queries on premises issues should be directed to your Property Advisor.
- Please ensure that your most recent risk assessment is available to the local authority should you
  be asked to provide this in the autumn term. You may choose to place your completed risk
  assessment on your school web site as part of your communications around COVID19 security.

What are the hazards or where are the dangers?	Control Measure/Standards checklist These are things which are needed to control the spread of the virus as far as reasonably practicable. This is Public Health advice which schools MUST follow.	Yes they are in place	No they are not in place /NA	Our school needs to add these following control measures to reduce the risk as far as possible, OR this is why we cannot meet this standard:	Action by when and by who?	Additional Action Completed (initials and date)
1.0 Missing a COVID-19 risk assessment review or not continuing with	<ol> <li>We have ensured that we have reviewed and revised our last set of risk assessments with relevance to COVID-19.</li> <li>We have acted on any outstanding actions and completed them.</li> </ol>	v		SLT/DSLs reviewing daily as guidance changes.	Ongoing SLT/DSLs	SLT 27/08/20
advised control measures	3. We continue to practice Government and PHE hygiene advice as written into our previous C19 risk assessments, and will ensure that we actively seek updated guidance.	V		Signage has been reviewed but may need further changes to reflect guidance and to adapt if needed.	SE/LB	SLT PD Day
	<ul> <li>4. We communicate any changes of current practice as a result of any COVID-19 related risk assessment, to staff, students and parents alike.</li> <li>5. We have communicated the findings of all our revised risk assessments, to all staff and offer this to parents and</li> </ul>	V		Letters and Home school Agreements are adjusted and will go out July and again September with any further changes. Emails and Zoom meetings on going.	HTs/NW	SLT/NW PD Day
	our young people.  6. We have reviewed our child protection policy (DSL) to reflect the return of more students.				TW	DSL PD Day

2.0	1.	We require any member of staff, and	٧	Clarify with all parents nearer the	SLT	
Catching and		any pupil, to remain at home if they		time reflecting the most current		
spreading the		have symptoms of Coronavirus.		advice.		
virus with a full	2.	Where a staff member or student has	٧			
complement of		a member of their family who has				
students and		Coronavirus symptoms, we ask that				
staff in school		they do not attend school.				
	3.	We ensure via notification and local	٧	Electronic sign in screen to be	NW	
(Note: These are		protocols, that any visiting		updated and RA provided to all		
all		professional, contractor, parent or		parties before coming to school.		
considerations		carer does not enter the premises if		Keep company, contact details.		
for minimising		symptomatic.				
the potential	4.	We communicate with each group of	٧		All	
spread – each		people as above, in a relevant format		Staff to communicate through the		
school needs to		and in a timely manner, to mitigate		holiday so HTs are aware of any		
work out how		against the risk of them attending		COVID 19 issues.		
best this can be		when unwell.				
facilitated).	5.	Where a member of staff is	٧	All risk assessments will be		TW meet with
		concerned about returning to work		reviewed regularly in line with		staff PD Day.
		(for medical reasons) in September,		guidance and stakeholders asked to		
		we will use the Schools' Choice		be involved in the process of		
		'Guidance Principles Document –		individual RAs.		
		September 2020' to work out the				
		best course of action.		The school will provide face masks		LB/BW to order
	6.	We closely monitor instances of all	٧	and shields and staff are		and distribute
		people with Coronavirus symptoms		encouraged to wear shields to		PD Day.
		whilst on the school premises so that		protect themselves.		
		we can respond appropriately.				
	7.		٧			
		reporting instances of those who				

have tested positive for Coronavirus.			
8. We engage with the NHS Test and	٧		All
Trace process and understand how to			
contact our local health protection			
team.			
9. In addition we understand that we	٧		SLT/NW
must report to the LA when positive		Staff and parents to be aware that	
cases are confirmed.		this is essential to the safety of all.	
10. We use the flow chart written by	V		
Public Health England named 'Action			
to be taken by schools' where there		Have guidance ready	
are suspected or confirmed cases in			
either staff or young people.			
11. We contain any outbreak by following	V	The outside play apparatus will be	WG/ All
Public Health Suffolk's advice, and		used on a weekly rota; only one	
have written procedures for this		class on each of the KS1 and KS2	
which all staff have been notified of.		pieces of equipment. Children to	
12. Where students and / or staff are	V	wash hands after playing on the	
tested for COVID-19, we will ask		equipment. Nobody uses it on	
parents and staff to notify us		Friday to allow 72 hours before	
immediately of the test results.		next class/bubble. Caretaker to	
13. We continue to request all personnel	V	clean daily. Parents informed to	
on our school site cleans their hands		keep children off before and after	
thoroughly for 20 seconds, and more		school.	
often than usual.			
14. We ensure good respiratory hygiene	V		
by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill			
it' approach.			
15. We understand and adhere to the	V		
wearing of PPE only where necessary			

	16	and advised.  We note there may be additional risks of infection where students sing, shout or play wind and brass instruments even when people are at a distance. We therefore follow the current Government guidance to mitigate this risk, to include limiting group sizes, positioning students back to back or side to side and ensuring good ventilation. We understand this is not an exhaustive list of potential controls.	<b>√</b>	PE and Music subject leaders to keep up to date with changing guidance and communicate clearly to ALL staff.  Staff to use Charanga Music updated units which provided alternate activities for singing. Staff have been provided with information. Subject leader has engaged with appropriate CPD.  Children will be asked to come into school in clothing appropriate for PE on the days they have PE lessons.	JB/SS	Staff provide evidence of CPD to SS on PD Day.  Information communicated to parents. PD Day. JB
3.0 The risk of not being able to maintain appropriate social distancing		We have designed a system for our school premises whereby we can minimise contact between individuals to maintain current social distancing requirements, wherever possible. For the above system, we have	V	doors, desks forward facing, limited numbers in staffrooms/offices.	SLT	From Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> September
and not being able to create appropriate		reduced the number of contacts between children and staff. We have devised a feasible and	v	point to allow more space for social	All	
bubbles or consistent groups of students		effective way of operating consistent groups of staff and students in bubbles and have a strict protocol on how this works in practice.		All Parents and Carers asked to wear face masks when coming on site.		From Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> September

ALL AREAS	4. In addition, we adhere to social distancing within those bubbles as far	٧	Increase signage and restrictions to prevent Parents/Carers and siblings	SLT	From Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> September
	<ul><li>as is reasonably practicable.</li><li>5. As an AP or PRU we take steps to minimise social contact as far as is practicable.</li></ul>	N/A	encroaching on areas used by bubbles e.g. summer house and sensory garden.		
	6. As an AP or PRU we have considered whether smaller groups, or whole school grouping / bubble is more appropriate.	N/A	Adults stay with own class, limited interaction with parallel class, very limited mixing when unavoidable in	All	
	7. We have implemented an in-house strategy to ensure that consistent groups or bubbles do not mix.	<b>v</b>	age phases by area. Each age phase knows which area of the school is theirs and each has its own toilet		
	8. We understand that maintaining social distancing may be difficult for younger children, and therefore we are enhancing the concept of bubble groups.	<b>V</b>	block. Each year group has own dedicated outside space.		
	<ol><li>We encourage and teach social distancing at all times for both students and staff.</li></ol>	V			
	10. We understand that older students will be more able to social distance, and we will support them to keep to	V			
	this. We will also maintain consistent grouped bubbles, and will assist all		Classes keep to own room or if essential the parallel class with staff	All	
	young people to keep to these arrangements.		from that year group. Breakfast Clubs operate by age phase in the		
	11. We have reviewed our behaviour policies with any new rules included.	<b>V</b>	appropriate areas.  At the start of term, staff to revisit		

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We will communicate these clearly		both the Golden Rules and the new	SLT/All	
and consistently to staff, students,		Stay Alert COVID rules. Posters to		
and parents or carers with clear and		be displayed and children reminded		
reasonable expectation of student		regularly.		
behaviour set out.				
12. We are aware of the Government	V			
guidance which stipulates that if				
class-sized groups are not compatible				
with students' education or managing				
the practical logistics, then year				
group bubbles may have to be				
implemented.		Ensure all staff, especially new staff,		
13. We are aware of the Government	√	are clear and communicate	All	
guidance that to facilitate education,		consistently to all children,		
teachers and other staff can operate		recognizing some will have		
across different classes and year		forgotten even the most basic rules		
groups.		and conventions of school.		
14. In the event that teachers and other	√			
staff have to work across groups, we				
have made them aware that a 2-		Those staff that have to work		
metre social distancing is ideal.		within different bubbles, e.g.	TW, ZH,	
15. We have made our staff aware that	N/A	TW/ELSAs/SENDCOs, must keep a	CE, JN,	
Public Health England strongly		record or who they have worked	EG, SS VB	
advises that <b>secondary school</b> staff		with on a daily basis. They should		
should:		also be extra vigilant with social		
a) stay at the front of the class		distancing and creating a clean		
b) stay away from colleagues where		working space.		
possible – and if not, at 2-metres				
where appropriate		This has been kept to a minimum to		

 c) stay away from students – again,		reduce the knock on impact of a	All	
at 2-metres where possible		confirmed COVID 19 outbreak.		
d) avoid face to face contact				
e) minimise time spent within 1				
metre of anyone.				
16. In classrooms, we have ensured that	√			
students are all facing forwards				
rather than face to face or side on.				
17. We will not conduct assemblies with	V			
more than one consistent group.				
18. Movement around the school will be	V			
kept to an absolute minimum when				
considering timetabling and changing				
classes				
19. We ensure the avoidance of busy	V			
corridors, entrances and exits.				
20. Where possible we have laid out a				
one-way system to minimise the	V			
chance of face to face contact.				
21. We have enabled staggered break	V			
times (including lunch breaks).		Staff will regularly and consistently		
22. We have reviewed the staff room (s)	V	reinforce the expectations to all	All staff	
layout and have ensured that those		children recognising younger		
areas enable staff to socially distance.		children and children with		
23. We have where necessary inhibited	V	SEND/SEMH will have limited		
large numbers of staff in one area		understanding.		
(e.g., staff rooms) at one time by				
staggering breaks.				
24. We have where necessary,	V			
implemented staggered start and end				

times to the school day to keep			
groups apart as they arrive and leave.			
25. We have reminded parents of the	٧		
processes for drop off and collection.			
26. We will consider implementing a	V		
system for vulnerable parents /			
carers who pick up their young			
people from school so that they do			
not have to enter school premises.			
27. We have a clear process for hygiene	V		
control when entering the school			
premises.			
28. We have a clear process for staff and	V		
students who use face coverings in			
public, and public transport to			
remove them upon entering the			
school.		In line with the most current	
29. We have ensured that all changes and	V	guidance, communicate with SLT	
expectations have carefully been		parents if we are to allow masks in	
discussed with parents of SEND		school and how these will be	
students and that if thought		disposed of.	
appropriate, they are invited into the		'	
school before term to view the			
arrangements.		SENDCOs to speak with schools and ZH/CE/Cla	
30. We have worked collaboratively with	٧	parents	
placements where our students are		teachers	
dual registered, to ensure we address			
the risks inherent in moving from			
setting to setting.		All essential visitors to be directed	
31. We work with other professionals	٧	to website for RA and to read and	

who may need to visit our school, to			agree to the statement on the	ZH/CE/Cla	
ensure that both we and they adhere			electronic sign in.	ss	
to strict social distancing and hygiene				teachers	
requirements.					
32. We ask all our staff and pupils to					
bring their own frequently used		٧	Children are given individual		
equipment (pens etc) into school so			equipment to keep at desk. KS2	NW/TW	
that they are not shared.			have individual easy clean pencil		
33. Only essential items owned by pupils	√		cases.		
as per the guidance are allowed on					
the premises.					
34. We ensure that classroom resources	٧				
are not shared outside the consistent				All	
group and even then, continue to					
clean surfaces after use.					
35. We will adhere to Government advice	√				
against domestic (UK) overnight and					
overseas visits until we are advised					
differently.					
36. We understand that we are able to	<b>v</b>		We have surveyed parents/carers		
consider resuming breakfast and			and will run age phase Breakfast		
after school provision from			bubbles with staff from the	SLT/JN	
September 2020. This will be			appropriate year groups. Social	etc	
planned carefully, considering			distancing will be maintained to		
bubbles within the school and by			keep children separate from		
using small consistent groups. We			different classes.		
understand that guidance from the					
DfE is available.					
37. PE lessons will be conducted in	٧		Subject leader to review guidance		
consistent groups.			and practice and advise staff.		

	<ul> <li>38. We will not allow the participation of contact sports within PESSPA allocated time.</li> <li>39. We prioritise outdoor sports where appropriate – where this is not available, we allocate large indoor spaces, maximising distances between students.</li> </ul>	<b>v</b>	Children to come dressed for PE on the appropriate days.	JB	
	We understand that we can work with external coaches or clubs where we are satisfied that it is safe to do so and ensure all our protective measures are adhered to throughout.	√	After school clubs will cease for the foreseeable future. However early morning breakfast/reading/Lexia will continue with children in their age phase bubbles.	All	From November 5th
4.0	1. Dedicated school transport:		Revise guidance for EVOLVE RA and	НМ	
The risk of	We have worked with relevant		all staff and providers to be made		
spread of	Council personnel / private providers		aware.		
infection by	to ensure that as far as possible:		Contact coach company to ask for	НМ	
using school	a) pupils sit in bubbles that reflect	٧	their RA.	HM	
transport and	their groups within school		Train staff and communicate		
public transport	<ul> <li>b) that hand sanitiser is available for use upon boarding and disembarking</li> </ul>	V	expectations to children.		
	c) that vehicles are cleaned more frequently	٧			
	<ul> <li>d) that queuing and boarding is organised and controlled</li> </ul>	٧			
	e) that the seats available to students maintain distancing where	٧			
	possible  f) that secondary school students	٧			

	3.	should wear face coverings if the risk of being in close contact with those from different bubbles / groups is likely  Wider public transport:  We will work with relevant personnel to consider staggered start times to enable more journeys to take place outside of peak hours.  We have encouraged parents, staff and pupils to walk or cycle to school where it is safe to do so and is appropriate.  Where it is impossible for people to walk or cycle, and public transport is required, we refer them to the Government Guidance on safe travel.	<b>√</b>			
5.0 The risk of not	1.	We have procedures for cleaning outdoor playground and PE equipment.	٧			
ensuring robust cleaning throughout the	2.	All frequently touched surfaces inside and outside the school premises are cleaned regularly.	V			
school premises	3.	Science, art and sports equipment is cleaned frequently and meticulously, and always between different groups	٧			
	4.	using them. If we are unable to ensure cleaning of resources between groups, we will	٧	Books returned from home will be collected into a box and isolated for 72 hours and wiped before being	CTs	

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	rotate the equipment to allow it to			used again.		
	be left unused and out of reach for					
	48 hours, or 72 hours for plastics.			Children to return home learning	All	
5.	We have ensured that relevant	√		packs on Tuesday to allow		
	cleaning materials to include wipes			additional isolation time before		
	are provided wherever equipment			staff handle.		
	belongs, and that staff are aware of					
	cleaning protocols surrounding					
	person-lifting equipment.					
6.	We have introduced enhanced	V				
	protocols and unambiguous			Access the guidance, print, email to	HM/LB	
	procedures to ensure cleaning of the			all staff. Meet with Premises staff		
	premises and all touched surfaces, is			to ensure they understand.		
	effective.			•		
7.	We understand that there will be	v				
	revised guidance for cleaning non-					
	healthcare settings published by					
	Public Health England by the end of					
	the summer term. We will access			Discuss with all premises staff to	HM/LB	
	this guidance <u>HERE</u> and follow the			check understanding.	,	
	requirements (current last update is July			encen anacionaman.B.		
	2020).					
8.	We use required cleaning products	v				
	including standard detergents and					
	ensure that if a contracted cleaning			Additional morning and afternoon	HM/LB/Pr	
	company is used, that we liaise with			cleaning each day. Sign off when	emises	
	them to understand what their			areas have been visited.	eiiiises	
	products are and their efficacy.			areas mave been visited.		
9.	We will ensure that extra time is	v				
	given for cleaning surfaces in the	V				
	0	1			1	

		dining area(s) after use.				
6.0  The risk of being unaware of when PPE is required (or not)	1.	We understand that staff may not require PPE within our setting and recognise the following scenarios are those that will require it:  a) where a young person becomes ill with COVID-19 whilst at school and we are unable to maintain a distance of 2 metres.  b) where a child requires intimate care and we use PPE in all cases	<b>V</b>			
	2.	We ensure that our stocks of required PPE will be maintained, are in date and are of the appropriate type.	<b>v</b>	Monthly monitoring of stock levels and orders to be placed.	BW/LB	
7.0 Catching and spreading the virus when giving or	1.	We have reviewed the assessments for all our staff and returning students who have medical needs or their parents/carers, and have made any adjustments necessary.	٧	Adults involved to ensure other staff are aware.	SENDCOs/ TW Class teachers	
receiving first aid and/or supporting students and staff with	2.	We have ensured that we are aware, as far as possible, of new students' and staff medical conditions so that we may be able to consider their needs in light of COVID-19.	٧	SENDCO has dedicated 'Medical' time to update all records and to ensure information is passed on.		
medical needs	3.	Our staff have been trained to administer medications or provide intimate care and are aware of the	V	Additional diabetes training for new staff and staff and updates for others.	CE/JD/KA /RC	

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nood for in	creased controls in each			
	tuation, to include the use			
of PPE if red	•		TIM/CENIDO LA CLARA LA	TN/65
	laxing of the shielding	V	TW/SENDCo to flag up who this will	TW/CE
	August, we will ensure		involve and to take appropriate	
	nsult appropriately with		action and discuss implications with	
	er of staff or		SLT.	
	rers of a pupil who are		TW to review all staff to update or	TW
_	clinically extremely		provide appropriate risk	
	group, as they return to		assessments to reflect changing	
	iool, and that individual		needs e.g. pregnancy, new medical	
risk assessn	nents will be undertaken. <sup>1</sup>		conditions.	
We will use	the Schools' Choice			
flowchart to	o help us in our decisions.			
5. We underst	tand that staff may have	√	Get most up to date advice from	NW/TW
clinically ex	tremely vulnerable people		HR.	
in their hou	iseholds who have been			
shielding, a	nd we follow <u>current</u>			
Governmer	nt guidance when			
discussing i	ndividual cases of staff			
returning to	o work, or pupils back to			
school.				
6. We risk ass	ess on an individual basis	√		
if we have s	staff or pupils who meet			
	of being at a specific risk		All staff to let SLT/TW know of any	
	. This identifies any		existing or new medical conditions	
	ntrol measures that must		to enable us to respond	

<sup>1</sup> Individual risk assessments for staff (called 'Individual Risk Assessment RTW – C 19') can be found here: <a href="https://www.suffolklearning.co.uk/leadership-staff-development/health-safety-wellbeing/coronavirus:-covid-19">https://www.suffolklearning.co.uk/leadership-staff-development/health-safety-wellbeing/coronavirus:-covid-19</a>

be in place before returning to work/school if that is appropriate.  7. We understand the importance of keeping up to date with Government guidance on shielding in terms of whether the decline in the rates of community transmission of the virus remains low (as at July 2020) or raises again. Individual risk assessments will be reviewed at frequent intervals.  8. We have ensured that concerning our bubble groups, that we have appropriate numbers of, and appropriately qualified, first aiders for	V	appropriately. Medical conditions questionnaire to go out to staff at start of academic year to ensure most up to date information.  More First Aid training is booked for September. Review training requirements to reflect any overall staff movement, Forest Schools Leaders, paediatric.  Online first aid training is also available through the National College.	All staff	
each area.  9. We have ensured that all our equipment for moving and handling of students has been inspected before use. This includes the statutory 6-month checks under Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations (LOLER).	N/A			

8.0	1.	We ensure that all planned or	٧		All contractors to be requested to	LB
Catching and		reactive maintenance is carried out,			come when children are not on site	
spreading the		out of hours wherever possible			if at all possible.	
virus whilst		unless seen as an emergency.			•	
maintaining	2.	We welcome contractors on site only	V		RA sent out prior to visit	LB
premises		by appointment and they are			·	
management		required to adhere to all social			All visitors to the site must wear	LB/BG/
controls with a		distancing measures.			masks inside and outside.	SLT
full complement	3.	We liaise with contractors to be	√			
of staff and		assured of their own measures of			Premises staff must wear plastic,	LB
students		hygiene and control measures in			aprons, gloves and either a face	
		general via their risk assessment.			shield or mask at all times.	
	4.	Where we have a shared site (e.g.	√ Pool			
		sports centre provision etc) we have			Get the Risk Assessments from pool.	
		ensured that we are working			Check regularly as things change and	
		together and sharing our risk			this must be uploaded onto EVOLVE.	
		assessments to provide a safe area				
		for everyone.				
	5.	There is a system of communication	٧		Band will only use outside area until	
		between us and any other setting			further notice.	JB/HM
		which shares our site and we ensure		٧		
		regular discussion of this topic.				
	6.	The school has ensured that relevant				
		property statutory compliance		٧	WG/LB to meet with AG on PD day	WG/LB
		checks have been completed and			to check all in place.	
		records updated.				
	7.	Daily and weekly checks have been		٧		
		reinstated and we are up to date				WG/LB
		with all premises checks in all areas				
		of the school (i.e., those that were				

closed off for a period of time).				
8. We refer to our Premises				
Management Logbook to ensure th	nat		WG/LB/A	
all checks are carried out. These			G	
include but is not restricted to:				
a) all fire precaution checks as per				
the Fire Logbook				
<b>b)</b> safety of gas supplies				
c) visual checks on electrical service	25			
and equipment				
d) inspection of lifts and lifting				
equipment				
e) water temperatures and flushing	,			
of systems (Legionella risk)	'			
f) ventilation systems				
g) perimeter fencing				
<b>h)</b> noting any damage to the fabric	of			
the building				
9. We have ensured that the external				
waste bins are <b>still</b> safe from being		If bins become full in the day, they	Daytime	
an arson or climbing risk and can be		must be sealed, double bagged,	cleaner or	
accessed under social distancing		taken to the outside bins and the	MDSA	
rules.		bags replaced.		
10. We ensure that all internal flip top		0 1		
waste bins in every room and welfa	are	Kitchen staff will seal and empty bins	EATS staff	
facility are emptied daily and that t		in the dining hall.		
bin liners are fully secured before				
disposing of them.				
11. We ensure that all waste from				

potentially infected persons is	٧		All	
doubled bagged and set aside for 72			premises	
hours before disposal and that we			staff	
contact the local authority for advice				
if we are unsure of which collection				
service is required.				
12. All science, DT and art areas have				
been pre-checked as per Consortium	N/A			
of Local Education Authorities for the				
Provision of Science Services				
(CLEAPSS) guidance and are ready for				
use.				
13. We can ensure 2m distancing within				
all workshops, art studios, dance	٧	No dancing at the moment.		
studios and science labs. Where this				
is not possible we will adhere to the				
1m plus rule, with additional				
mitigation arrangements.				
14. If we are not members of CLEAPSS				
we ensure that we seek alternative	٧			
guidance from the relevant Health				
and Safety source (maintained				
schools via LA).				
15. We ensure that our catering facilities		Vertas communication informs us	VERTAS	
continue to be run in the usual safe	٧	staff will be back from September 1 <sup>s</sup>		
way whilst also considering COVID-19		for CPD and wellbeing discussions.		
<ul> <li>Government guidance is followed.</li> </ul>		Lunches served in classrooms <mark>except</mark>	SLT	
16. We understand the importance of		for Reception who will use the hall.		

	good ventilation and follow the HSE's guidance <sup>2</sup> on air conditioning and ventilation.	V	This will need close monitoring with more children in school and when temperatures outside drop. Parents informed to dress children appropriately. Indoor fleeces introduced. Staff to ensure doors are closed in areas that are unoccupied for security reasons and to try to keep some heat in the building. 'In cooler weather windows should be opened just enough to provide constant background ventilation, and opened more fully during breaks to purge the air in the space).  Opening internal doors can also assist with creating a throughput of air. If necessary external opening doors may also be used (as long as they are not fire doors and where safe to do so).
9.0 The impact on	We recognise that these times are incredibly stressful for staff, students	٧	TW/NW
staffing, and staff welfare,	and parents/carers. Therefore, we are sharing all our resources for good	٧	
and also the mental wellbeing of	mental health and wellbeing and signpost to relevant professional bodies.	V	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/equipment-and-machinery/air-conditioning-and-ventilation.htm

students, due to 2.				
the risk of	We are aware of the Leadership			
	Wellbeing assistance from the LA.	_,		
	We are actively promoting our	٧		
spreading the	Employee Assistance Programme and			
virus now that a	the Occupational Health Service to all			
full complement	staff via notice boards, email			
of staff and	communication and word of mouth.	٧		
students are 4.	We are aware of the Stress and			
present	Mental Health web pages on the H&S			
	site on Suffolk Learning, where			
	resources can be found for staff.	٧		
5.	We are aware of the LA's signposting			
	for the mental wellbeing of all			
	students and ensure that this is			
	cascaded.	٧		
6.	We ensure that all staff are informed			
	in a timely way of any changes at the			
	school and of any risks to their health	٧		
	and wellbeing.			
7.	We ensure that all staff are listened			
	to, and their concerns taken on			
	board.			
8.	We have designed an induction		Staff have a detailed induction. All Class	
	session (or sessions) for staff and		staff have the information relating teachers	
	students, so they are clearly aware of		to groups and staggered times.	
	any changes to the day to day		Parents informed by letter. Children	
	running of the school under the new		will have more detailed information	
	ways of operating.		on return enabling teachers to	
9.	We have considered alternative ways	V	explain the specific detail to each	
	to show parents and carers how we		class.	

	are conducting all practices and activities during this current situation (e.g., perhaps by video, etc).  10. We have ensured that all staff are aware of any changes in all health and safety protocols, especially if they are returning to work.	V	RA shared regularly, opportunities to discuss, question and feed into arrangements.	SLT
10.0 Administration and the continual	<ol> <li>We regularly review national guidance from PHE, the NHS and the Education related pages on GOV.UK – changes are apparently each day.</li> </ol>	٧	Ongoing and relying of many different members of staff to review, not just the HT.	SLT
knowledge of the risks of catching and spreading the	2. We receive and read <i>Suffolk Headlines</i> and disseminate this to all staff which details further support and information.	V	Shared	SLT
virus	3. We know where to find Suffolk Schools' health and safety advice on Suffolk Learning	V		NW/LB/S E
	<ol> <li>We are aware of how to get further advice from the Education and Learning team at the LA if required.</li> </ol>	V		
	5. We actively promote the role of Union representatives in this current situation and acknowledge the LA's work with them.	V	NEU rep works closely with HT to check RA/guidelines etc.	HT/SE
	<ol><li>We actively seek guidance from our HR provider as required.</li></ol>	√	Only essential visitors will be admitted with prior invitation from	NW
	7. We have displayed the Public Health 'COVID-19 SECURE' poster in a way that all students, staff and visitors	V	SLT.	

can see it.  8. We have laid out structured and robust plans for action should a local outbreak occur and understand that	٧	Blended learning is planned making use of Oak National Academy and a wealth of other online learning
the DfE will be involved in decisions		opportunities. Staff are aware that
at a local and national level.		many children will need hard copies
		due to limited access to ICT.

# **Outstanding Control Measures / Standards Action Plan**

Control measure / standard we cannot meet (reference number and outline)	Why can't we currently meet this standard?	What are we going to do about it?	Who is going to do it, and by when?	Have we done it? What date did we do it?	Review date if needed:

# Sources and further information:

# **Guidance for Full Opening: Schools:**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools

Public Health England COVID-19 resources: <a href="https://coronavirusresources.phe.gov.uk/">https://coronavirusresources.phe.gov.uk/</a>

### Public Health England – Action to be taken by schools:

https://www.suffolklearning.co.uk/leadership-staff-development/health-safety-wellbeing/coronavirus:-covid-19

# **Suffolk Learning Health and Safety (schools) pages:**

https://www.suffolklearning.co.uk/leadership-staff-development/health-safety-wellbeing

#### **Suffolk County Council – general COVID-19 information:**

https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/

## Suffolk County Council's school guidance on COVID-19 (includes FAQs):

https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/schools-guidance/

Clinically vulnerable groups: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-extremely-vulnerable-person

### Schools' Choice 'Guidance Principles Document - September 2020':

https://www.suffolklearning.co.uk/leadership-staff-development/health-safety-wellbeing/coronavirus:-covid-19 and also via Schools' Choice directly

# Staying alert and safe (social distancing):

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing-after-4-july

#### Coronavirus: implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-protective-measures-in-education-and-childcare-settings

# Coronavirus: Safeguarding in schools, colleges and other providers:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-safeguarding-in-schools-colleges-and-other-providers/coronavirus-covid-19-safeguarding-in-schools-colleges-and-other-providers

Guidance on supporting children and young people's mental health and wellbeing can be found here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing</a>
The Education Support Partnership has a free helpline for school staff and targeted support for mental health and wellbeing: <a href="https://www.educationsupport.org.uk/">https://www.educationsupport.org.uk/</a>

Extra mental health support for pupils and teachers (articles with links to support networks): <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/extra-mental-health-support-for-pupils-and-teachers">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/extra-mental-health-support-for-pupils-and-teachers</a>

Keeping children safe in education: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/keeping-children-safe-in-education--2">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/keeping-children-safe-in-education--2</a>

NASUWT – checklist on preparation for the reopening of schools: https://www.nasuwt.org.uk/uploads/assets/uploaded/d8b46e47-fa23-466c-

https://www.nasuwt.org.uk/uploads/assets/uploaded/d8b46e47-fa23-466c-af6e4d55e3022efd.pdf

HM Government and NHS 'Coronavirus – Stay Alert, Stay Safe at Work': <a href="https://industrialstrategy.frontify.com/d/55EzeVU6rhza/covid-19-business-support#/keeping-your-business-safe/working-safely-guidance">https://industrialstrategy.frontify.com/d/55EzeVU6rhza/covid-19-business-support#/keeping-your-business-safe/working-safely-guidance</a>

CLEAPSS: guidance for science departments returning to school after extended closure <a href="https://public.huddle.com/a/VdRjYeV/index.html">https://public.huddle.com/a/VdRjYeV/index.html</a>

Conducting a SEND risk assessment during the coronavirus outbreak guidance can be found here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-send-risk-assessment-guidance">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-send-risk-assessment-guidance</a>

CLEAPSS – school support for DT, ART and Science: <a href="https://www.cleapss.org.uk/">https://www.cleapss.org.uk/</a> Guidance for food businesses on coronavirus (COVID-19):

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-for-foodbusinesses/guidance-for-food-businesses-on-coronavirus-covid-19 (it may look as though this wouldn't apply to schools, but the Full Opening Guidance points to this PHE document)

Premises safety in terms of Legionella throughout the C-19 outbreak: https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/legionella-risks-during-coronavirus-outbreak.htm

**Coronavirus: travel guidance for educational settings:** 

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-advice-for-educational-settings/coronavirus-travel-guidance-for-educational-settings

Protective measures for out-of-school settings during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak (Breakfast and after school clubs):

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protective-measures-for-holiday-or-after-school-clubs-and-other-out-of-school-settings-for-children-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/protective-measures-for-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

**Sport England: Grassroot Sport:** <a href="https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/coronavirus">https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/coronavirus</a>

Guidance on the phased return of sport and recreation:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-phased-return-of-sport-and-recreation

Association for Physical Education: <a href="https://www.afpe.org.uk/physical-education/wp-content/uploads/COVID-19-Interpreting-the-Government-Guidance-in-a-PESSPA-Context-FINAL.pdf">https://www.afpe.org.uk/physical-education/wp-content/uploads/COVID-19-Interpreting-the-Government-Guidance-in-a-PESSPA-Context-FINAL.pdf</a> for risk assessment assistance

**Youth Sport Trust:** <a href="https://www.youthsporttrust.org/coronavirus-support-schools">https://www.youthsporttrust.org/coronavirus-support-schools</a>