

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Risk assessment for January 2021 – Linked to Primary School Staff Testing

Name of school: Inspire Academy

Assessment conducted by: Louise Byrne	Job title: Principal	Covered by this assessment: staff, pupils, parents, visitors and volunteers.
Date of initial assessment: 25.01.2021	Review interval: When circumstances change	Date of next review: Ongoing as appropriate but by April 2021 at the latest.

Risk rating		Likelihood of occurrence				
RISK Facilig		Probable	Possible	Remote		
Likely impact	Major Causes major physical injury, harm or ill health.	High (H)	Н	Medium (M)		
	Severe Causes physical injury or illness requiring first aid.	Н	М	Low (L)		
	Minor Causes physical or emotional discomfort.	M	L	L		

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Area for concern	Risk rating prior to action H/M/L	Recommended controls	In place? Yes/No	By whom?	Deadline	Risk rating following action H/M/L
		GENERAL MEASURES APPLICABLE TO ALL The test process is following DHSC Clinical Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for staff self-testing with Lateral Flow Antigen Testing Devices in primary schools, maintained nursery schools and school-based nurseries.				
		It has been made clear to all staff that all existing covid-19 control measures within the main school risk assessment continue to be in place and should be adhered to at all times.	Yes	Principal	Completed during Staff Covid Testing briefing	L
		Kits are to be used only by the person to whom they are assigned, they are not for use by family members.	Yes	Principal	As above	M
		Staff have the option to opt into the testing programme – it is not compulsory	Yes	Principal	Completed during Staff Covid Testing briefing	L
		On receipt of the test kits the school will record the lot number.	Yes	Principal	Completed	L
		Kits will be stored securely at room temperature	Yes	Principal	Completed	L
		The distribution of kits in school is managed by; Covid-19 Co-ordinator Louise Byrne/ Rebecca Booth Registration Assistant Helen Thomas	Yes	Principal	Ongoing	L
		Face coverings will be worn during the distribution of testing kits	Yes	Principal	Ongoing	L
		2m social distancing will be maintained during the distribution of testing kits	Yes	Principal	Ongoing	L
		The distribution of test kits will be recorded on a test kit log	Yes	Principal	Ongoing	L
		Staff will sign for receipt and record the lot number of their kit against their name.	Yes	Principal	Ongoing	L
		The updated 'Instructions for use' are distributed with each testing kit and staff are advised of the correct version to follow.	Yes	Principal	Ongoing	L
		Content from the document sharing platform has been made available for all staff as a means of training;	Yes	Principal	Ongoing	L

	 An introduction to rapid self-testing An NHS video demonstrating how to carry out a test A step-by-step visual guide on how to do the test 				
	All staff have been advised to read the privacy notice and sign the consent form.	Yes if participa ting	Principal	Ongoing	L
	The staff member will store the kit at room temperature	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	The correct version (v1.3.2) of the instructions for use have been provided with each kit. There are no hazards associated with the extraction solution however, as a precautionary measure, staff are advised to take care with its use and in the vent of spillage to clean it up immediately and in the event of contact with the skin to rinse.	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	Tests will be carried out at home, twice weekly (3 or 4 days apart) – Weds eve and Sunday morning	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	The staff member will leave at least 30 minutes after eating/drinking before taking the test.	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	Each time they complete a test staff will; 1. Report the results online www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result 2. Advise their school/nursery of the result so it can be recorded and any relevant actions taken	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	Staff members are responsible for reporting incidents relating to the testing and will report as follows; Report any clinical issue (eg bleeding, allergic reaction) https://coronavirusyellowcard.mhra.gov.uk Report any non-clinical issue via 119 (eg items missing from their kit) Inform their school/nursery of any ongoing test related problems	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	In the event that the result of the LFD test is void the staff member will take another test.	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	If the staff member has two void tests in a row they will book a PCR test.	Yes	TBA	Ongoing	L
	If a staff member is consistently receiving void results they will be asked to review the training information on carrying out the test to ensure they are following the correct process.	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L

	On receipt of a positive LFD test the staff member will advise the school/nursery, begin to self-isolate immediately and book a PCR test. In the event that the PCR test is negative they can return to work and ceas self-isolating	e Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	Existing guidance should be followed	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	A test results register/log will be maintained by the school/nursery Ensure that for GDPR reasons the results register is a separate document the test kit log	o Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	All staff are advised that they must inform their school/nursery of their terresult so it can be recorded and any relevant actions taken.	t Yes	Principal	Ongoing	L
	Repeated issues will be reported by the school/nursery to the DfE helpline H (eg multiple repeated void results, leaking/damaged tubes/unclear results DfE coronavirus helpline 0800 046 8687		All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	Low take up of staff: All existing control measures with the whole school covid-19 risk assessment remain in place and are adhered to in addition to the use of LFD asymptomatic testing	Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L
	Incorrect storage: The test cartridge and extraction solution will be stored at ambient temperature (2-30 degrees Centigrade).	Yes	Principal – staff advised	Ongoing	L
	Incorrect storage: The reagents and devices will be at room temperature (15-30 degrees centigrade) when used for testing.	Yes	Principal – staff advised	Ongoing	L
	Incorrect waste Disposal: After use the staff member will bag all components of the kit in the waste bag provided and put it in their general household waste.	l Yes	All staff advised during briefing	Ongoing	L