

Updated Design and Technology/Food and Nutrition COVID Risk Assessment

Following the recent rise in COVID-19 cases and the specific guidance from the DFE and Government, we will need to put the following measures in place to help ensure that we don't, wherever possible, need to isolate.

Current precautions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DT – Masks to be worn by staff and pupils in all practical lessons.• All – teachers and students sanitize on way into lesson.• All – Teacher and technician can move out of box to help and keep more complex skills taught and ensure health and safety is followed.• All – Windows or doors are open to facilitate cross draft.• DT – All equipment is sanitized with alcohol spray to be usable in under two minutes between bubbles (DT)• DT – Any sewing lesson sewing machines are not facing each other (SEV) or have screens (TON)• All – Tables and Vices sanitized at end of each lesson or between bubbles.• Food – Staff only wears a mask or visor.• Food – All equipment is washed by students then sanitized with food safe spray between bubbles. – this has a time implication to enable reuse.• Food – Equipment and cooks are kept apart between bubbles to help stop cross contamination.
New additional precautions 24 November 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Food students will now also wear masks during practicals.• Teachers and technician will remain in the two-metre box for the majority of lessons.• When stepping out of the box, staff will wear a visor or have a portable screen to take to students for them to see demo through and be spoken to through (thus avoiding direct contact classification).• No staff will help/talk to a student for more than one minute as this is classified as direct contact.• Re-demonstrating must be done behind a screen.• Gathered demonstrations – students must be two metres away – we will rearrange rooms so visualisers can be used to help facilitate this.
Implications of not following latest precautions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In the first instance KS3 practical classes will be suspended until there is an easing of rules. Science have no practical already at KS3.• KS4 and KS5 lower could be suspended also (10 and 12).• Staff may have to isolate due to close contact – practical will not take place in this instance, this will affect the ability of our exam groups to achieve their NEA and affect our students more.• Falling engagement and focus in classes.• Poor uptake for GCSE/A level.• Low level skills taught and limited progression for students.
Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Screens needed, in each room, for teachers (PC).• We need to ensure we all have visors (ALL).• Looking at SOW to ensure we can remain in box for as long as possible (ALL).

For Government guidelines, click [here](#).