



St Bernadette's Roman Catholic Primary School

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Safe use of PPE in school

Type of contact with child	PPE requirements	PPE usage
Usual classroom/school activity where children are well	No PPE required. Maintain social distancing. Close adherence to hand (i) and respiratory hygiene protocols (ii)	
Brief transitory contact e.g. passing in a corridor	No PPE required. Maintain social distancing Close adherence to hand (i) and respiratory hygiene protocols (ii)	
Child requires intimate care and child has no symptoms	'Normal' use PPE should be used for this task e.g. what you would normally wear to carry out such a task. Close adherence to hand and respiratory hygiene protocols (i) (ii)	Single (vi) use for each element of PPE
Child becomes unwell at school with Covid-19 symptoms and supervising adult can maintain a 2m distance from the unwell child	No PPE required Maintain social distancing Close adherence to hand and respiratory hygiene protocols (i) (ii)	*PPE to be used at the discretion of each staff member
Child becomes unwell at school with Covid-19 symptoms and supervising adult cannot maintain a 2m distance from the child but no contact with child is needed	PPE bags contain glasses, mask, apron and gloves. PPE must be worn due to the risk of vomit, spitting, coughing. Close adherence to hand and respiratory hygiene protocols (i) (ii) and disposing of clinical waste appropriately (v)	Single (vi) use for all items of PPE
Child becomes unwell at school with Covid-19 symptoms and supervising adult needs to have direct contact with the child	Fluid resistant surgical mask, disposable apron and disposable gloves and risk assess if eye protection needed (risk of vomit, spitting, coughing) Close adherence to hand and respiratory hygiene protocols (i) (ii) and disposing of clinical waste appropriately (v)	Single (vi) use for all items of PPE

Terms / definitions and clarifications

I.	Hand washing protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wash and clean your hands regularly throughout the day using soap and water• Use hand sanitiser if you don't have immediate access to soap and water
II.	Respiratory hygiene protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use tissues when you cough / sneeze then dispose of the tissue immediately• If you don't have immediate access to a tissue, use your bent elbow
III.	Momentary contact	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Relates to ad hoc
IV.	Direct personal care	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Defined as a role which involves closely supporting an individual which may include close proximity to bodily fluids
V.	Disposal of PPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PPE should be placed in the bag it was taken from and disposed of in the general waste bin outside except in cases where it has been used for suspected Covid-19 cases. In this case, it should be double bagged, dated and treated as contaminated waste e.g. bagged and stored in the locked bin shed marked Covid waste for 72 hours before being disposed of in the normal waste.
VI.	Single use	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refer to disposal after each interaction