# WESTCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS COVID-19 Risk Assessment Record Form



### Assessor(s):

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## Description of Task/Activity/Area/Premises etc. Delivering Education during the COVID-19 Pandemic from 5 January 2021

	Who might be harmed and how?		What is the risk rating – H, M, L? See Below	any, is necessary, if so what action is to be taken by whom and by when?	State the date completed and sign.	What is the risk rating now – H, M, L? See Below
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Isolation due to COVID-19 local or national restrictions	Staff and pupils	Blended approach between physical and remote learning developed, including support for those children who are shielding/ clinically vulnerable.     Technology support in place. DFE laptop allocation ordered.     Staff are prepared for supporting wellbeing of pupils and receiving any potential disclosures.     Processes are established for registering pupils remotely and following up absences with pupils and parents.     Counselling sessions have been arranged remotely.     Staff have weekly online face to face check-ins with their line manager.	L		completed and sign.	L
Repetitive Strain Injury or Screen Fatigue due to remote working.	Staff and pupils	<ul> <li>A 5 minute movement break has been introduced between lessons and pupils and staff are encouraged to utilise this time to have a screen break and move around.</li> <li>Staff are encouraged to plan activities that do not require the computer and promote independent use of textbooks and exercise books.</li> <li>Laptops have been provided for pupils who do not have an appropriate device.</li> </ul>	L			L
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	Staff Transmission may occur when supervising pupils taken ill with symptoms of COVID19 and need direct personal care until they return home.	<ul> <li>Increase ventilation in the room if possible.</li> <li>PPE provided for supervising adult:</li> <li>Fluid resistant surgical mask if a 2-metre distance cannot be maintained.</li> <li>Where contact with the pupil is needed: Fluid resistant surgical mask, disposable gloves and disposable apron.</li> <li>Stocks of PPE have been secured and a reliable system is set-up for replenishment</li> <li>Supervising adult instructed on the safe "donning and doffing" of PPE</li> <li>First aiders are used for supervision to reduce the numbers of staff who have access to PPE.</li> </ul>				

### **Risk Rating**

The risk rating is used to prioritise the action required. Deal with those hazards that are high risk first.

Risk Rating	Description	Action Priority
High	Where harm is certain or near certain to occur and/or major injury or ill-health could result	Urgent action
Medium	Where harm is possible to occur and/or serious injury could result e.g. off work for over 3 days	Medium priority
Low	Where harm is unlikely or seldom to occur and/or minor injury could result e.g. cuts, bruises, strain	No action or low priority action

#### 6. Assessment

Signature of Assessor(s):

Print Name:

Date Assessed:

Signature of Line Manager:

Print Name:

Review Date:

### 7. Communication and Review

This risk assessment should be communicated to all employees and relevant persons who may come into contact with the hazards being assessed. The assessment must be reviewed annually or following a significant change, accident or violent incident.