

# COVID-19 Policy Addendum

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# Trust Approach to Policy and Procedures During the Covid-19 Outbreak

As a result of the Covid-19 Outbreak the Government has amended some of the legislation and statutory guidance around education and schools. In some cases this will affect the way in which our policies and procedures are applied operationally. We have put in place temporary changes to our Safeguarding Policy policies by way of an appendix. (This can be found on the Trust policy page of our website, <a href="http://www.beckfoottrust.org/?page\_id=3910">http://www.beckfoottrust.org/?page\_id=3910</a>)

However, in the majority of cases the Trust takes the view that current (temporary) Government guidance takes precedence over our policies and will be followed to the best of our abilities by adjusting our procedures. The list below references some of the guidance, but it is not exhaustive and the changes/updates are made regularly in these uncertain times.

# Stay at Home Guidance:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance

# **Social Distancing Guidance for Schools:**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-social-distancing-ineducation-and-childcare-settings

#### **Guidance on Dealing with a Suspecting Case in a Household:**

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/what-to-do-if-you-or-someone-you-live-with-has-coronavirus-symptoms/

# **School Meal/Voucher Guidance:**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-free-school-meals-guidance

#### **Public Exams Guidance for Schools:**

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/how-gcses-as-a-levels-will-be-awarded-in-summer-2020

## **Revised Admissions Guidance:**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/admission-appeals-for-school-places

#### **Guidance on Supporting Vulnerable Young People:**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-on-vulnerable-children-and-young-people

# **Revised Early Years Framework Guidance:**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2

# **Guidance on Wages and Job Retention:**

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/claim-for-wage-costs-through-the-coronavirus-job-retention-scheme

#### **Guidance on School Closures:**

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-school-closures/guidance-for-schools-about-temporarily-closing

School guidance on how our day to day operations have been affected by Government guidance has been via our DHT Communications on Covid-19 which started on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

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