

Technology Department – Covid 19 Control measures additional to departmental risk assessment control measures.

General Technology

1. Teacher should assess risk of injury to pupils or staff, or damage to equipment prior to undertaking practical work due to the need to socially distance between staff and pupils. If the teacher deems practical work inappropriate alternative provision, such as videos should be used.
2. Seating plans will be strictly adhered to allowing any potential occurrences of the virus in school to be tracked. Pupils are expected to work at their place of work and reduce movement as far as possible.
3. Blazers should be encouraged to be worn, however if blazers are removed and placed on pegs the pegs are to be sanitised by the pupil after use.
4. All aprons will be removed from rooms. Aprons and eye protection (EN166) will be issued to those KS4 & KS5 pupils that need them due to the nature of the work. Typically, this will be Years 10 & 11 D&T (Timber), BTEC Engineering and 'A' level Product Design. Aprons and eye protection to be kept for own use in pupils issued plastic storage container.
5. Practical lessons – Year 7, 8 & 9 – shared equipment to be sanitised after use by pupils using the equipment. Teachers to supervise this process. Pupils to wear face masks during teacher demonstrations when all grouped together. Also, face masks are to be worn by pupils during practical work involving standing or limited movement about the room. (Note: pupils who cannot wear a face mask may be required to sit out practical lessons at the discretion of the teacher. This is to minimise risk to pupils and staff alike)
6. Keyboards to be wiped down and sanitised by user at end of lesson.
7. If necessary, blue disposable gloves should be worn where the teacher deems necessary.
8. See also control measures for Food lessons and Textile lessons.