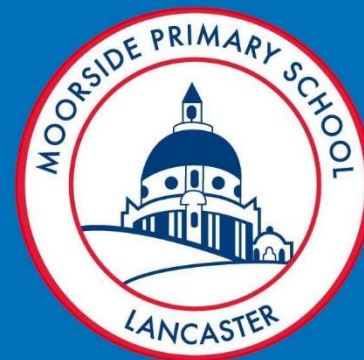


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Risk assessment for children

We recognise that some pupils and families have a greater need for support than others. Many of these pupils will have a social worker and/or an EHCP. However, we also recognise that other pupils and families will also need additional support at this time and some of these may need a full risk assessment. As the situation changes other families may need support, especially if a loved one is ill. We want to reassure all families that support for pupils and their well-being continues in these unprecedented times and there is always someone a phone call or email away in an emergency.

For all pupils:

- Guidance for work and education via the website, app and Facebook page.
- Weekly call from a member of your child's team.
- Phone and email contact with school office and key staff as needed.

For pupils on free school meals:

- Help to access the Governments food parcels as needed.

If at any time you feel you are not coping it is important that you contact school so we can offer guidance. We take the pupils wellbeing very seriously and will do all we can to ensure that they can thrive and make the best of the current situation.

Risk assessment for vulnerable pupils

For pupils who receive additional support in school for either learning, social and emotional development or family support; but do not have a social worker or EHCP:

- A named key worker from the leadership team who will make additional calls and offer direct email support.
- Differentiated or alternative activities or work to help you with your child's home schooling.
- Support accessing external agencies as needed.
- Further assessment if any party feels that the child's needs are not being met.

For those pupils with an EHCP:

- If it is felt that your child's needs are best met by accessing the routines of school then, providing there are no underlying health risks, your child should attend school in the normal

way and appropriate work will be given to ensure the pupils targets and development progress.

- If after discussion it is felt that their needs can be met in the home then the SENDCO will be in weekly contact to offer additional support and guidance towards achieving the targets on the EHCP.
- Where a pupil needs to access specialist services or programmes then a shared arrangement may be appropriate where they access learning at home but attend school for specific work/sessions.
- Where an underlying health issue makes attending school inadvisable then parents and school will work together using technology and other resources to best meet the needs of the individual.

Where a pupil/family has a social worker:

- These pupils should attend school.
- If there is an underlying health issue or a parent/carer does not wish the child to attend, then the social worker will carry out a risk assessment. (Until this has been done the pupil, if well, should attend school.) The social worker will discuss the best options.