

SCHOOL Greenvale			Risk Assessment No	017	
Topic:	Physiotherapy		People at Risk:	Students and staff participating in physiotherapy	
Assessment carried out by:	Liz Smith and Lynne Haines	Date:	October 2020	Date of Review:	Every half term/ Ongoing

Hazards (Potential to cause harm & consider how a person may be hurt)	Existing Controls	Risk rating*	Further controls necessary	Target Date & By Whom	New Risk Rating**
Additional risk of COVID transmission from physiotherapy	<p>All students have physio programmes developed by skilled physiotherapists. They are handed over in person to school staff.</p> <p>Student programmes are carried out in depth once a week in a larger area and parts of each programme are carried out daily in class.</p>	H	<p>An initial assessment of each student will take place before commencing physio to ensure student is well.</p> <p>Students will work in areas identified by setting up of hall e.g. location of Acheeva bed or floor mat to be socially distanced from each.</p> <p>Physio groups have reduced numbers.</p> <p>Regular staff carry out physio programmes.</p> <p>Physio organised within key stage sub bubbles.</p> <p>Room is large and will be well ventilated opening all the windows.</p> <p>Staff to wear PPE whilst carrying out close physio work.</p> <p>Handrails, benches, wheelchair handles, mats, hoist equipment, chair hoist and walking aids etc. to be cleaned before and after use.</p> <p><i>See Cleaning & Sanitising Checklist for hydrotherapy and swimming.</i></p>	SLT Complete	M

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Staff are not appropriately trained to carry out programmes	All physiotherapy programmes will be handed over to staff by physios.	H	<p>Physios will carry out individual telephone calls to parents to gain verbal consent from parents to attend a physiotherapy session with their child and explain the PPE to be worn.</p> <p>Physiotherapist will complete individual risk assessments for all programmes.</p> <p>Physiotherapists to evaluate physio programmes so that they are adapted to reduce time spent in personal space (within 2m for more than 15 minutes.)</p> <p>Adaptations will include: Limiting the need to be within close proximity to a student by adapting the activity for example for bench sitting a ball to be added to programme to be placed between student back and staff front to support distancing between staff and student.</p>	SLT Complete	M

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