

To: All mainstream Nursery, Primary and High Schools

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## Dear Colleague

## **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Supplies**

The majority of staff in education settings will not require PPE beyond what they would normally need for their work, even if they are not always able to maintain a distance of 2 metres from others. PPE is only needed in a very small number of cases including:

- children, young people and students whose care routinely already involves the use of PPE due to their intimate care needs should continue to receive their care in the same way
- if a child, young person or other learner becomes unwell with symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) while in their setting and needs direct personal care until they can return home or 2 metres cannot be maintained.

You will receive shortly a grab bag of PPE as a one-off to ensure all mainstream schools have enough PPE for the circumstances where it is required.

The bag includes:

- Fluid resistant surgical masks (FRSM)
- Plastic aprons
- Gloves; and
- Goggles, to be worn where a risk assessment indicates a risk of fluid exchanges, such as spiting, vomiting

Where further PPE supplies are required school should use their own suppliers of PPE.

EGfL includes guidance on the donning, doffing and disposal of PPE, further government guidance and also a list of suppliers. You can access these resources through the following link: <u>https://www.egfl.org.uk/coronavirus#PPE</u>

Amazon will shortly extend its services to enable schools and other public sector organisations to place orders for PPE through its services. Schools can register through following this link.



https://www.amazon.co.uk/b/?node=21243381031&ref=b2b\_acq\_email\_partner\_lr f\_c19\_nta\_uk\_001

In exceptional circumstances where you are unable to source PPE, please contact the Family Information Service (FIS) email: <u>children@ealing.gov.uk</u>

Yours sincerely

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