**SCHOOL VENTILATION :**

**DFE SCHOOLS GUIDANC**E as per website EFFECTIVE 6.10.20

Once the school is in operation, it is important to ensure good ventilation and maximising this wherever possible, for example, opening windows and propping open doors, as long as they are not fire doors, where safe to do so (bearing in mind safeguarding in particular). Advice on this can be found in Health and Safety Executive guidance on [air conditioning and ventilation during the coronavirus outbreak](https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/equipment-and-machinery/air-conditioning-and-ventilation.htm).

**HSE GUIDANCE** as per website 6.10.20

This guidance is based on the latest information and may be updated as and when new information becomes available.

**General ventilation**

Employers must, by law, ensure an adequate supply of fresh air in the workplace and this has not changed.

Good ventilation can help reduce the risk of spreading coronavirus, so focus on improving general ventilation, preferably through fresh air or mechanical systems.

Where possible, consider ways to maintain and increase the supply of fresh air, for example, by opening windows and doors (unless fire doors).

Also consider if you can improve the circulation of outside air and prevent pockets of stagnant air in occupied spaces. You can do this by using ceiling fans or desk fans for example, provided good ventilation is maintained.

The risk of transmission through the use of ceiling and desk fans is extremely low providing there is good ventilation in the area it is being used, preferably provided by fresh air.

There is various stuff online re schools telling kids to wrap up warm as windows will be open even in the winter & schools will have higher heating bills as heating on and windows open but no specific guidance re what to do if its freezing….

So officially one can only assume that the guidance is keep windows open.