



COVID-19 Related Pupil Absence

Quick Reference Guide for Parents/Carers

What to do if	Action Needed	Return to school when.....
<p>My Child has Covid-19 symptoms;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIGH TEMPERATURE – this means your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back. • A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH- this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs . • A LOSS OR CHANGE TO THEIR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE.- this means your child notices that they cannot smell or taste anything. 	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Get a test. INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULT</p>	<p>When your child has a negative test result and is free from any illness symptoms.</p>
<p>My Child tests positive for COVID-19.</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree with school the earliest date for possible return. This will be a minimum of 10 days but possibly longer. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. The school Bubble that the child belongs to will isolate for 14 and access remote learning through the school website.</p>	<p>They can return after 10 days and if they are feeling well enough to. However it will more than likely be 14 days as they can't return until their school Bubble re-opens. They may still have a cough or the loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks.</p>
<p>My Child tests negative for COVID-19.</p>	<p>CONTACT THE SCHOOL Discuss when your child can come back to school, this will usually be the next day.</p>	<p>When your child has a test result that comes back negative and is free from any illness symptoms.</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms but not linked to COVID-19.</p>	<p>FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY</p>	<p>You will be able to decide when your child is well enough to be back in school. However if they have had a stomach upset their return will need to be 48hrs after their last bout of sickness/diarrhoea.</p>
<p>Someone in our household has COVID-19 symptoms.</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL. Contact school to inform us. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Household members need to get tested.</p>	<p>If test results come back negative.</p>

	INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULTS	
Someone in our household tests positive for COVID-19.	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL. Contact school to inform us. Agree the earliest date for possible return. This will be a minimum of 14 days.	Your child/ren has/have completed 14 days of isolation.
NHS Test & Trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with symptoms of confirmed COVID-19.	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL. Contact school to inform us. Agree the earliest date for possible return. This will be a minimum of 14 days.	When your child has completed 14 days of isolation.
We/ my child have/ has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine.	Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking any travel. Contact school to inform us. Agree an earliest date for possible return. This will be a minimum of 14 days from return date. You need to self-isolate the whole household.	The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us. Shield your child until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.	When restrictions have been lifted.
My child's Bubble is closed due to a COVID-19 outbreak in school.	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL At home you will be able to support your child with remote education provided by school. Your child will need to isolate for 14 days.	School will inform you when the bubble will be reopened.

If you need to get a COVID-19 test the first place to go is to NHS UK on the internet. Here you can apply online to get booked in for a test. Alternatively, if you can't access through the website you can call 119.

I hope this Reference Guide is useful and helps you to make decisions, but please remember that you are still welcome contact school on 01282 771009.

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Best wishes

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