

## Covid-19 related pupil absence

### A quick reference guide for parents

What to do if.....	Action needed	Return to school when ...
<p>My child has Covid-19 symptoms:</p> <p><b>HIGH TEMPERATURE</b> – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back.</p> <p><b>A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH</b> – this means coughing a lot more than just an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs.</p> <p><b>A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE</b> – this means you have noticed you cannot smell or taste anything.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DO NOT GO TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Contact school to inform us. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Get a test.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULT</b></p>	<p>....the test comes back negative</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid 19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Contact school to inform us Agree an earliest date for possible return – <b>Minimum of 10 days.</b> Self –isolate the whole household for 14 days. Bubble isolates/remote learning</p>	<p>....they feel better. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks.</p>
<p>My child tests negative</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Discuss when your child can come back to school (same day/next day)</p>	<p>....the test comes back negative</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDURE</b></p>	<p>....after 48hrs following the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea if this is the cause of absence</p>
<p>Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Contact school Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Household members to get tested</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULTS</b></p>	<p>....the test comes back negative</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Contact school Agree an earliest date for possible return – <b>Minimum of 14 days</b></p>	<p>....the child has completed <b>14 days of isolation</b></p>
<p>NHS test &amp; trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with symptoms of confirmed Covid-19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CONTACT SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Agree an earliest date for possible return - <b>Minimum of 14 days</b></p>	<p>....the child has completed <b>14 days of isolation</b></p>
<p>We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine</p>	<p>Do not take unauthorised leave in term time. Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel. Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed – agree an earliest date for possible return - <b>Minimum of 14 days from return date</b> Self-isolate the whole household.</p>	<p>....the quarantine period of <b>14 days has been completed</b></p>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CONTACT SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.</p>	<p>....school will inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school</p>
<p>My child’s bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>At home, support your child with remote education provided by school. Your child will need to <b>isolate for 14 days.</b></p>	<p>.....school will inform you when the bubble will be reopened</p>
<p>My child’s class, from another school, has been sent home because a pupil or member of staff has tested positive for Covid-19.</p>	<p>Only the child who was sent home is required to self-isolate. Other members of the household do not need to self-isolate, unless any of them develop symptoms.</p>	<p>Any other children should attend school as usual.</p>