

## **Covid-19 related pupil absences - A quick reference guide for parents**

What to do if	Action Needed	Return to school when
My child has Covid-19 symptoms:  HIGH TEMPERATURE – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back  A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH – A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE –	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 RESULTS	the test comes back negative and a date has been agreed in discussion with school.
My child tests positive for COVID-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 10 days. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days.	they have completed a minimum of 10 days isolation and a date has been agreed in discussion with the school
My child tests negative	CONTACT THE SCHOOL Discuss when your child can come back to school	There is an agreement with the school regarding a return date.
My child is ill with symptoms not linked to COVID-19	FOLLOW SCHOOL USUAL ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDURE	After 48 hours following the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea if this is the cause of absence.
Someone in my household has COVID-19 symptoms	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days self-isolation for the whole household.	The child has completed 14 days of isolation. and a date has been agreed with the school
Someone in my household tests positive for COVID-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school Agree a date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days	The child has completed 14 days of isolation.
NHS test and trace has identified my child has been in close contact with someone with symptoms of confirmed COVID-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school Agree a date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days	The child has completed 14 days of isolation. And a date has been agreed with the school
We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine.	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. If returning from a country on the quarantine list agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days from return date. Self-isolate the whole household.	The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed. and a date has been agreed with the school.
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.	A date has been agreed with the school and it is safe to do so.
My child's bubble is closed due to a COVID-19 outbreak in school.	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL At home 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 re-opened.