

COVID – 19 RELATED PUPIL ABSENCE

A quick reference guide for parents

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| What to do if | Action Needed | Return to school when |
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| my child has COVID - 19 symptoms (cough, temperature, loss of taste or smell). | DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Self-isolate the whole household Get a test Inform school immediately about test result. | the test comes back as negative. |
| my child tests positive for COVID – 19. | DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree the earliest date for the child to return to school, minimum of 10 days Self-isolate the whole household. | they feel better. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last several weeks. |
| my child tests negative. | Contact school to inform us Discuss when your child can return to school (same day/next day) | the test comes back negative. |
| my child is ill with symptoms not linked to COVID – 19. | DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Ring school on each day of illness. Contact your GP if concerned | after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea. As per attendance policy. |
| someone in my household has COVID – 19 symptoms. | DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Self-isolate the whole household Household member to get a test Inform school immediately about test result | the test comes back negative. |
| someone in my household tests positive for COVID – 19. | DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree the earliest date for the child to return to school, minimum of 14 days Self-isolate the whole household | the child has completed the 14 days of isolation. |
| NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed COVID – 19. | DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree the earliest date for the child to return to school, minimum of 14 days | the child has completed the 14 days of isolation. |
| 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: Agree the 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. |
| we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding. | DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again. | school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again. |
| my child's bubble is closed due to a COVID – 19. | DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL At home support your child with remote education provided by the school Your child will need to isolate for 14 days. | school inform you that the bubble will be reopened. |