

# COVID-19 RELATED PUPIL ABSENCE

A quick reference guide for parents

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school when...
My child has Covid-19 symptoms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>HIGH TEMPERATURE</b> - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back.</li><li>• <b>A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH</b> - this means coughing for longer than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs</li><li>• <b>A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE</b></li></ul>	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contact school to inform us</li><li>2. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days</li><li>3. Get a test</li><li>4. Inform School immediately about your test result.</li></ol>	The test comes back negative
My child tests positive for Covid-19	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contact school to inform us</li><li>2. Agree an earliest date for possible return (<b>Minimum of 10 days</b>)</li><li>3. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days</li><li>4. Bubble isolates / Remote learning</li></ol>	They feel better. <b>They can return after 10 days</b> even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks.
My child tests negative	<b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL</b> Discuss when your child can come back to school ( <b>Same day/next day</b> )	The test comes back negative
My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19	<b>FOLLOW OUR USUAL ABSENCE PROCEDURES</b>	If sickness/diarrhoea, allow 48hrs following the last bout.
Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contact school to inform us</li><li>2. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days</li><li>3. Household gets tested</li><li>4. Inform School immediately about your test results</li></ol>	The test comes back negative
Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contact school to inform us</li><li>2. Agree an earliest date for possible return (<b>Minimum of 14 days</b>)</li></ol>	The child has completed 14 days of isolation
NHS Test & Trace has identified my child has been in close contact with someone who has Covid-19	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contact school to inform us</li><li>2. Agree an earliest date for possible return (<b>Minimum of 14 days</b>)</li></ol>	The child has completed 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 Agree an earliest return date (Minimum of 14 days from return) Self-isolate with household.	The child has completed 14 days of isolation
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Contact school to inform us</li><li>2. Shield until restrictions are lifted</li></ol>	School inform you that restrictions are lifted
My child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	<b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Support your child with remote education provided by the school</li><li>2. Your child will need to isolate for 14 days</li></ol>	School inform you when your bubble can return