



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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIGH TEMPERATURE – this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back. • A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH – this means coughing a lot more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours. • A LOSS OR CHANGE TO THEIR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE – this means that they've noticed that they can't 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>..... The test comes back negative</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p>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. 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>CONTACT THE SCHOOL 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>FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDURE</p>	<p>After 48 hours 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>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Household members to get tested. INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULTS</p>	<p>..... The test comes back negative.</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school. Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days.</p>	<p>..... The child has completed 14 days of isolation.</p>
<p>NHS Test & Trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with symptoms of confirmed Covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL CONTACT SCHOOL Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days</p>	<p>..... The child has completed 14 days of isolation.</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. Minimum of 14 days from return date. Self-isolate the whole household.</p>	<p>..... The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.</p>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL CONTACT THE SCHOOL Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</p>	<p>..... School 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>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.</p>	<p>..... School will inform you when the bubble will be reopened.</p>