



Covid-19 related pupil absence

A quick reference guide for parents and staff

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...my child has Covid-19 symptoms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HIGH TEMPERATURE ● A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH ● A LOSS OR CHANGE TO SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL - Contact school to inform us - Self-isolate the whole household - Get a test - Inform the school immediately about the test result 	...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the child feels well.
...my child tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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 	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. <i>(These symptoms can last for several weeks.)</i> AND the child feels well.
...my child tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CONTACT SCHOOL TO INFORM US - Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day) 	...the test comes back negative.
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL - Contact school to inform us - Ring on each day of illness 	...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL - Contact school to inform us - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days) - Self-isolate the whole household 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL - Contact school to inform us - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days) 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The household member must self-isolate for 14 days - Child can continue to attend school. 	...child can continue to attend school
... a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to their being a positive case in their school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days - BGLC child(ren) can continue to attend 	...child can continue to attend school
...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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. ...you receive medical advice that your child may return to school.
...my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CHILD MUST NOT COME TO SCHOOL - Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school - Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days - Other siblings may continue to attend school 	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.

