

COVID-19: Information for Parents and Carers on Reporting Absence September 2020

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to School when
<p>...my child has coronavirus symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>a high temperature</i> • <i>a new, continuous cough</i> • <i>loss or a change in the normal sense of smell or taste (also known as anosmia)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school immediately • Self-isolate • Follow government guidance on staying at home • Obtain a test for Covid 19 as soon as possible and within the first 5 days of the onset of symptoms • Inform school immediately about result. 	<p>...the test comes back negative and they do not have symptoms.</p> <p><i>If the child's test is inconclusive... this should be treated as a positive test result. Further Government guidance must be followed.</i></p>
<p>...my child tests positive for coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school immediately with test result • Self-isolate for at least 10 days • Follow government guidance on staying at home. 	<p>...they feel better at the end of the isolation period. They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste.</p> <p><i>These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</i></p>
<p>...somebody in my household has coronavirus symptoms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school immediately • Self-isolate • Follow government guidance on staying at home • Household member to get a test and as soon as possible and within the first 5 days of the onset of the symptoms • Inform school immediately about test result. 	<p>...the household member's test is negative.</p>
<p>...somebody in my household has tested positive for coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school immediately • Self-isolate for 14 days • Follow government guidance on staying at home. 	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation and they do not have symptoms.</p>
<p>... NHS Test and Trace have identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with a case of confirmed coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school immediately • Self-isolate for 14 days • Follow government guidance on staying at home. 	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of self-isolation and they do not have symptoms.</p>

<p>... NHS Test and Trace have identified a member of my household (not my child) as a 'close contact' of somebody with a case of confirmed coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No self-isolation required unless the child develops symptoms 	
<p>...we/my child travelled and has to self-isolate a part of a period of quarantine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not take unauthorised leave of absence in term time • Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel • Provide information and evidence to school as per attendance policy <p>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school daily • Self-isolate for 14 days. 	<p>...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed From 8th June you must self-isolate (quarantine) for 14 days when returning from abroad with some exceptions where travel corridors have been agreed</p>
<p>...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p>All children are expected back in school as per Government guidance. Some children may be asked to shield as part of a local lockdown</p> <p>In these circumstances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact your child's teacher with regard to home learning support • Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted 	<p>...local restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again, providing they do not have symptoms.</p>
<p>... my child is unwell due to reasons other than coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your child has to be absent, contact school daily following normal absence management routines. 	<p>... as soon as they feel well enough.</p>