

## Covid-19 related pupil absence - A quick reference guide for parents

Please also keep yourself up to date with Government guidance as it changes

What to do if	Action Needed	Return to school when
<p>My child has any of the Covid-19 symptoms: <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>HIGH TEMPERATURE</b> – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (38°C with a thermometer)</li> <li>• <b>A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH</b> - this means coughing a lot more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.</li> <li>• <b>A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE</b> – your child might not be willing to eat as usual.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school to inform us</li> <li>• <b>Get a test - to protect others in Bubble</b></li> <li>• Child to self-isolate for a minimum of 10 days</li> <li>• <b>Inform the school immediately of the test result.</b></li> <li>• Speak to your child's specialist team if they have a underlying, chronic medical condition</li> <li>• Remainder of family to continue to isolate for the full 14 days</li> <li>• You will be given a provisional date for your child to return to school</li> <li>• Call the school prior to return to agree the return date <b>and contact school transport</b></li> </ul>	<p>The test result is negative</p> <p>You have an agreed return date with the school</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid-19 <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school to inform us</li> <li>• Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 10 days</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days</li> <li>• Bubble isolates for 14 days/remote learning – <b>we will follow guidance from PHE at all times</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They feel better</li> <li>• They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell</li> <li>• These symptoms can last for several weeks</li> </ul> <p>You have an agreed return date</p>
<p>My child tests negative <b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL</b></p>	<p>Discuss when your child can come back to school (same day/next day)</p>	<p>The test is negative</p> <p>You have an agreed return date</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19 <b>FOLLOW THE USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDURE</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your child should be well enough to take part in all school activities when coming to school</li> </ul>	<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 <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days</li> <li>• Person with symptoms needs to be tested</li> <li>• <b>Inform the school immediately of the test result</b></li> </ul>	<p>The test is negative</p> <p>You have an agreed return date</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19 <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school</li> <li>• Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days.</li> </ul>	<p>The child has completed 14 days of isolation and shows no symptoms</p> <p>You have an agreed return date</p>
<p>NHS Test and Trace has identified my child has been in close contact with someone with confirmed Covid-19. My child does <u>not</u> have symptoms. <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact School</li> <li>• Self-isolate for 14 days from the last date your child had contact with the person who tested positive</li> <li>• Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days.</li> </ul>	<p>The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed</p> <p>You have an agreed return date</p>
<p>We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine <b>DO NOT TAKE UNAUTHORISED LEAVE IN TERM TIME</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel</li> <li>• Agree an earliest date for possible return Minimum of 14 days from return date</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household</li> </ul>	<p>The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed</p> <p>You have an agreed return date</p>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact School</li> <li>• Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</li> </ul>	<p>Contact school when shielding is lifted to discuss your child's return to school</p> <p>You have an agreed return date</p>
<p>My child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>We will follow PHE guidance at all times</b></li> <li>• Support your child at home with remote learning provided by school</li> <li>• Your child will need to isolate for 14 days</li> </ul>	<p>School will inform you when the bubble will be re-opened</p>