



## Covid-19

### *A parent guide to student absence*

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to School...
<p>My child has Covid-19 symptoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>HIGH TEMPERATURE</b> - this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back.</li> <li>• <b>A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH</b> - this means coughing a lot for more 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> - this means they cannot smell or taste anything or things smell or taste different to normal.</li> </ul>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.</b> Contact school to inform us. <b>Minimum of 10 days' self- isolation</b> from onset of symptoms. Get a test. Self-isolate whole household for 14 days. <b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULT.</b> If a household family member displays symptoms, they must self-isolate for 14 days and get a test.</p>	<p>... when the test comes back negative and your child feels well enough to return to school.</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid-19.</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.</b> <b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULT.</b> Agree date for return. <b>Minimum of 10 days' self-isolation.</b> Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days from the date your child displayed symptoms. School will contact the Department for Education and Public Health England for advice. Identified group/bubble to self-isolate. Remote education for your child.</p>	<p>...<b>after 10 days'</b> self-isolation and your child feels better. They may still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks.</p>
<p>My child tests negative.</p>	<p><b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL.</b> Discuss when your child can come back to school (same day/next day).</p>	<p>... when the test comes back negative.</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.</p>	<p>Follow normal school absence procedure and notify school daily.</p>	<p>...after 24hrs 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><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.</b> <b>Contact school.</b> Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Household member to get tested. <b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULTS.</b></p>	<p>... when the test comes back negative.</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.</b> Contact school. Agree date for possible return. <b>Minimum of 14 days' self-isolation.</b></p>	<p>...<b>after 14 days'</b> self-isolation.</p>
<p>My child has been identified, e.g. through Test and Trace, as being in close contact to someone with symptoms of confirmed Covid-19.</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.</b> Contact school. Agree an earliest date for return. <b>Minimum of 14 days' self-isolation.</b> Other members of the household do not need to self-isolate unless someone in the household develops symptoms.</p>	<p>...<b>after 14 days'</b> self-isolation.</p>
<p>My child has travelled abroad and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine.</p>	<p>Consider Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office advice when booking travel and returning from a destination where quarantine is needed. <b>Minimum of 14 days' self-isolation from return date.</b> Self-isolate the whole household. NB. Leave of absence for a holiday should not be requested in term time (unauthorised absence).</p>	<p>... when the quarantine period of <b>14 days has been completed.</b></p>
<p>There is a confirmed case of Covid-19 in school.</p>	<p>School will follow advice from the Department for Education and Public Health England. School will contact you. Identified group/bubble to self-isolate. <b>Self-isolate for 14 days.</b> Support your child at home with remote education provided by school.</p>	<p>... when school inform you that your child can return to school.</p>

*This information is correct as of September 2020. It is subject to change following updated government guidance.*