

### COVID-19 related absences

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when....
<p>...my child had Covid-19 symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>HIGH TEMPERATURE OVER 37.8°C</b></li> <li>• <b>A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH. This means coughing a lot for at least an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours</b></li> <li>• <b>A CHANGE OR LOSS OF SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE. Unable to taste or smell things or things taste or smell different to normal.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL &amp; DO NOT SEND SIBLINGS TO SCHOOL</b></li> <li>• Contact school to inform us of symptoms</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household</li> <li>• Get a test</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about the test result</li> </ul>	<p>...the test comes back negative or after a <b>10 day period of isolation</b> (if unable to get a test)</p>
<p>...a sibling or someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></li> <li>• Contact school to inform us of symptoms</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household</li> <li>• Household member to get a test (Suggest all members of household get a test)</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about the test result</li> </ul>	<p>...the household members test is negative or after a <b>14 day period of isolation</b> (if unable to get a test).</p>
<p>...my child is ill with symptoms not related to Covid. They are <b>not</b> displaying any of the Covid symptoms but may have a runny nose and cold related chesty cough but no fever</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow normal school absence procedure</li> <li>• Send to school if they are otherwise well enough to attend</li> </ul>	<p>...they are feeling better, or 48 hours after the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea</p>
<p>...my child tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL &amp; DO NOT SEND SIBLINGS TO SCHOOL</b></li> <li>• Contact school to inform us immediately of the test result</li> <li>• Self-isolate for at least 10 days</li> <li>• Inform school immediately about the test result</li> </ul>	<p>...they feel better. They can return to school <b>after 10 days</b> even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection has gone.</p>

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...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></li> <li>● Contact school daily</li> <li>● Self-isolate for 14 days</li> </ul>	...the child has completed <b>14 days of self-isolation</b> and displayed no symptoms
...NHS test and trace system have identified my child as a “close contact” of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></li> <li>● Contact school to inform us</li> <li>● Self-isolate for 14 days</li> </ul>	...the child has completed <b>14 days of self-isolation</b> and displayed no symptoms
...we/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel.</li> <li>● Provide information to the school as per the attendance policy.</li> </ul> <p><b>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></li> <li>● Contact school to inform us &amp; agree return date</li> <li>● Self-isolate for 14 days</li> </ul>	....the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Do not come to school</li> <li>● Contact school office.</li> <li>● Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.</li> </ul>	...school informs you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again