

COVID-19 RELATED PUPIL ABSENCE

A reference guide for parents and school/setting staff (as of 16th September 2020)

WHAT TO DO IF...	ACTION NEEDED	RETURN TO SCHOOL WHEN...
<p>...my child has developed ONE OR MORE Covid-19 symptoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a new continuous cough a high temperature a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to school or setting. Contact school or setting to inform us. Child to get a test via nhs.uk online or by calling 119. Members of the household should self-isolate for 14 days. See Stay at Home guidance Inform the school or setting immediately about the test results. If after 10 days, your child still has a temperature they should continue to self-isolate and seek medical advice. 	<p>...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, the child feels well and does not have a temperature.</p>
<p>...my child tests positive for Covid-19.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to school or setting. Contact school or setting to inform us. Agree the earliest date for the possible return (minimum 10 days). Members of the household should self-isolate for 14 days. See Stay at Home guidance. 	<p>...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell (these symptoms can last for several weeks) AND the child feels well.</p>
<p>...my child tests negative.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact school or setting to inform us. Discuss when your child can come back (same day/ next day). Subject to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> everyone they live with who has symptoms tests negative. everyone in their support bubble who has symptoms tests negative. they are NOT a contact of a confirmed case. they are well – if they feel unwell, stay at home until feeling better. 	<p>...the test comes back negative.</p>
<p>...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact school or setting to inform us Ring on each day of illness 	<p>...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per the attendance policy).</p>
<p>...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to school or setting Contact school or setting to inform us Members of the household should self-isolate for 14 days. See Stay at Home guidance. Household member to get a test via nhs.uk online or by calling 119. Inform the school or setting immediately about the test results. 	<p>...the test comes back negative.</p>
<p>...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to school or setting. Contact school or setting to inform us. Agree the earliest date for the possible return (minimum 14 days). Members of the household should self-isolate for 14 days. See Stay at Home guidance. 	<p>...my child has completed 14 days of self-isolation.</p>

<p>...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of a confirmed positive case.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Do not come to school. ▶ Contact school to inform us. ▶ Agree the earliest date for the possible return (minimum 14 days). 	<p>...my child has completed 14 days of self-isolation.</p>
<p>...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (not my child) as a close contact of a confirmed positive case.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The household member must self-isolate for 14 days. ▶ Child can continue to attend school. 	<p>...child(ren) can continue to attend school.</p>
<p>...my child has been identified as a close contact of a confirmed positive case within school.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ You will receive a letter of notification from school. ▶ Child must not come to school. ▶ Support your child at home with any remote education provided by your school. Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days. ▶ Other siblings may continue to attend school. 	<p>...my child has completed 14 days of self-isolation.</p>
<p>...my child's sibling at another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to being a contact of a confirmed positive case in their school.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The sibling must self-isolate for 14 days. ▶ Child(ren) at this school can continue to attend. 	<p>...child(ren) can continue to attend school.</p>
<p>...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is NOT one of the exempt list of countries. (i.e. they need to self-isolate after returning from this country).</p>	<p>If returning from a destination where quarantine IS needed please see full travel guidance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Minimum of 14 days self-isolation for all those who travelled. ▶ Contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school. 	<p>...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.</p>
<p>...my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that IS one of the exempt list of countries. (i.e. they do NOT need to self-isolate after returning from this country).</p>	<p>If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Check the current Exempt Countries and Territories list to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list. ▶ Ring school to inform us you have returned to the UK and agree a return date to school. 	<p>...you have informed the school or setting office of your return (they may ask you a few questions about your travel).</p>
<p>...I have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine (but my child didn't travel).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ As long as you do not have/ have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend school. ▶ The person who has travelled MUST NOT leave the house, including to do pick-ups and drop offs 	<p>...child(ren) can continue to attend school.</p>
<p>...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<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. 	<p>...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.</p>
<p>...I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ If you are unable to get a test, your child and anyone they live with must continue to self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home. 	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.</p>