



Absence guide for parents / carers

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What to do if...	Action needed...	Return to school...
<p>My child has Covid-19 symptoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a high temperature or, • a new, continuous cough (coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours) or • a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste. 	<p>Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Get a test.</p> <p>Inform and show school test result outcome ASAP.</p>	<p>If the test comes back negative.</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid-19.</p>	<p>Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Agree an earliest date for return (minimum 10 days from symptoms or test date). Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days.</p>	<p>After 10 days when they feel better and have no fever. Can attend if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell (these symptoms can last for several weeks).</p>
<p>My child tests negative.</p>	<p>Contact school.</p>	<p>As soon as possible.</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19</p>	<p>Follow usual school absence procedure.</p>	<p>As soon as possible.</p>
<p>Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.</p>	<p>Do not come to school Contact school to inform us. Self-isolate whole household for 14 days. Household member gets a test.</p>	<p>If the test comes back negative.</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.</p>	<p>Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Agree an earliest date for return (minimum 14 days from symptoms or test date).</p> <p>If your child develops symptoms within the 14 day isolation period, they must isolate for at least another 10 days from the date they developed symptoms.</p>	<p>After 14 days from start of symptoms or test date if the child does not develop symptoms.</p> <p>After at least another 10 days if your child develops symptoms within the 14 day isolation period.</p>
<p>NHS Test and Trace has identified that my child has been in close contact with someone with confirmed Covid-19.</p>	<p>Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Agree an earliest date for return (minimum 14 days from symptoms or test date).</p>	<p>After 14 days from contact date.</p>
<p>My child has travelled abroad and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine.</p>	<p>Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Agree an earliest date for return (minimum 14 days from return date).</p>	<p>After 14 days from return date.</p>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.</p>	<p>Do not come to school. Contact school to inform us. Follow advice from your health care provider.</p>	<p>On advice from your health care provider.</p>