

COVID-19 Absence, testing and reporting

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school...
..... my child has COVID symptoms*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Your child should get a test. This MUST be a PCR** test and NOT a lateral flow test - Your child and any siblings should not attend school whilst waiting for the results (can take around 24hrs) - Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result - Inform school immediately when you receive the results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ when your child's test comes back negative and they are fit and well
...my child tests positive for COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inform the school immediately - Your child and any siblings should not attend school. Follow the isolation guidance from the text you receive from the NHS - The whole household also needs to isolate for this period (10 days) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ ...after the isolation period is over and your child feels better ❖ They can return after this period even if they still have a symptom as they can last for several weeks
...somebody in my household has COVID-19 SYMPTOMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Household member with symptoms should get a test - Your child(ren) should NOT attend school - Whole household must isolate while waiting for test result - Inform school immediately about test the results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ ...when household member test is negative and child(ren) does not have COVID-19 symptoms*
...somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Your child(ren) must not attend school - Whole household must isolate according to NHS guidance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ ...when your child(ren) has completed the isolation period, even if they have been tested negative
...NHS Test and Trace has identified my child(ren) as a 'close contact' of a confirmed COVID-19 case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child(ren) should not attend school - They isolate as advised by NHS Test and Trace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ ...when they have completed the advised isolation period
...I am not sure who should get a test for COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - People without symptoms do not need to get a PCR test. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ ... If they have not tested positive and not been advised to isolate for any reason.

*Symptoms include at least one of the following: a high temperature (**37.5 or above**); a new continuous cough; a loss of taste or smell (<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/>)

**To book a PCR test, please click on the following link <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Reminders: We ask that all parents and carers respect the procedures that we have in place and ask that you –

- Always follow the one-way system when collecting your children
- Do not congregate in the car park or school entrance or exit
- Wear a face covering when entering the school site or premises. If you are exempt and have not already notified us, please wear a lanyard so we do not need to keep asking.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us do all we can as a community to keep as safe as possible.