WHAT DO I DO IF....



COVID-19 quick reference guide to attendance at school for parents

What do I do if	Action Needed	Return to school when/ if
My child has COVID symptoms: a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (a temperature of 37.5 and above is of concern – if you have a thermometer) a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual) a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal	Inform school via email or telephone. Seek Medical advice on 111 Arrange a test through NHS Test and Trace. Website Link here. Or google Test and Trace Self-isolate the household for 14 days, or until a negative test result. Inform school of the test result as soon as you receive it. If they display one of these symptoms whilst in school, especially the high temperature, you will be asked to come and collect your child and seek medical advice- ring 111	The test result is negative. 14 day isolation period is over. Medical Advice says it is safe for them to return to school.
My child is ill with symptoms which are not COVID related If your child does not have symptoms of COVID, but has other cold-like symptoms e.g. a runny nose, they do not need to be tested and they and the rest of your household do not need to self-isolate.	Your child can attend school if fit to do so. Or, Follow the usual school procedures – ring absence into school office	The child is well, or 48 hours after the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea if that is the cause.
My child has received a positive test result	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us by telephone. Agree an earliest possible return date for the child – this will be at least 10 days from onset of symptoms. Self-isolate the rest of the household for 14 days and arrange tests if not done already. School will liaise with PHE about partial closure of the school- Class/ Year Group/ Phase. Test and Trace to inform parents.	They feel better This will be after at least 10 days. They can still return to school if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell because these symptoms can last for many weeks after they are no longer contagious.
My child tests negative	CONTACT THE SCHOOL Arrange when the child can come back to school. This can be the same day/next day if otherwise well.	If no other illness and child is fit to return.

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Someone in the household has COVID symptoms as outlined above	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL	
	Inform school via email or telephone.	The test result is
	Arrange a test for the person with symptoms.	negative.
	Self-isolate the household for 14 days, or until a negative test result.	14 day isolation period is over.
	Inform school of the test result as soon as you receive it.	
Someone in the household (not the child) tests positive for COVID-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL	After the 14 days of self-isolation is
	Contact school to inform us by telephone.	completed (unless child develops symptoms in
	Agree an earliest possible return date for the child – 14 days of self-isolation is needed.	that period).
NUS Tost and Trace identifies my	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL	After the 14 days of
NHS Test and Trace identifies my child as being a close contact of a CONFIRMED case of COVID-19	Contact school to inform us by telephone.	After the 14 days of self-isolation is completed (unless child
	Follow guidance from Test and Trace.	develops symptoms in that period).
	Agree an earliest possible return date for the child – 14 days of self-isolation is needed.	3.00 p 5.10 a/,
My child/our household has travelled and returned to the UK, and now has to quarantine as a result	Do not take unauthorised holiday leave in term time.	After the 14 days of self-isolation is completed (unless child
	Check government travel corridors and be aware that these can change quickly and frequently.	develops symptoms in that period).
	Self-isolate for 14 days	
	Agree a return date with school.	
We have received medical advice that my child needs to shield	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL	
	Contact school to inform us by telephone.	When shielding restrictions have been lifted for your child.
	Shield until you are told that this is no longer needed (provide proof if appropriate).	
My child's bubble - Class/ Year Group or Phase is closed due to a confirmed outbreak in school (This is Partial closure of school)	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL IF CHILD IS IN THE CONFIRMED BUBBLE CLOSURE	When school tells you the bubble is re-
	School will confirm return date for the bubble.	opened.
	Support your child with home learning which will be provided by school in line with our home learning policy.	
	Your other children outside of the closed Year Group. should be in school.	