

## Covid-19 related pupil absence A quick reference guide for parents and staff (September 2020)

What to do if	Action Needed	Return to school when
my child has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul> <li>- Do not come to school</li> <li>- Contact school to inform us</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household</li> <li>- Get a test</li> <li>- Inform the school immediately about the test result</li> </ul>	the test comes back negative <b>or</b> a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the child feels well.
my child tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul> <li>Do not come to school.</li> <li>Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days).</li> <li>Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	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.
my child tests negative.	<ul> <li>Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day).</li> </ul>	the test comes back negative.
my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	<ul><li>Do not come to school.</li><li>Contact school to inform us.</li><li>Ring on each day of illness.</li></ul>	after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul> <li>- Do not come to school.</li> <li>- Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> <li>- Household member to get a test.</li> <li>- Inform school immediately about test result.</li> </ul>	the test comes back negative.
someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul> <li>Do not come to school.</li> <li>Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days).</li> <li>Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	the child has completed 10 days of isolation.
NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul> <li>Do not come to school.</li> <li>Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days).</li> </ul>	the child has completed 10 days of isolation.
NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul> <li>The household member must self-isolate for 10 days.</li> <li>Child can continue to attend school.</li> </ul>	child can continue to attend school
a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to their being a positive case in their school.	<ul> <li>Sibling must self-isolate for 10 days.</li> <li>Grove Primary child(ren) can continue to attend.</li> </ul>	child can continue to attend school

What to do if	Action Needed	Return to school when
my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is NOT on the exempt list of countries.	If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed*: - minimum of 10 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 Self-isolate the whole household.  *Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) – for up to date travel information	the quarantine period of 10 days has been completed.
my child has travelled	If returning from a destination where	you have informed the office of
abroad from a country or	quarantine is NOT needed:	your return to the UK (the office
territory that IS on the	- Check the current Exempt countries and	will ask you a few questions about
exempt list of countries.	territories list to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list.	your travel).
	- Ring school to inform us you have returned to	
	the UK and agree a return date to school.	
I have travelled from a	- As long as you do not have / have not had	child can continue to attend
country that requires us to	symptoms in the last 10 days, your child can	school
quarantine (but my child	continue to attend school.	
didn't travel).	- The person who has travelled MUST NOT	
	leave the house, including to do pick-ups and	
	drop offs (please contact school if you need	
we have received medical	support getting your child to school).  - Do not come to school.	school inform you that
advice that my child must	- Contact school to inform us.	restrictions have been lifted and
resume shielding.	- Shield until you are informed that restrictions	your child can return to school
Ü	are lifted and shielding is paused again.	again.
		you receive medical advice that
		your child may return to school.
my child's bubble is closed	- Child must not come to school.	school inform you that the
due to a Covid-19 outbreak in	- Support your child at home with remote	bubble will be reopened.
school.	education provided by your school.	
	- Your child will need to self-isolate for 10 days.	
I am unable to get a test for	- Other siblings may continue to attend school.  If you are not able to get a test in the first 5	the child has completed 10 days
someone in the household	days of having symptoms, your child and	of isolation.
who has symptoms	anyone they live with must stay at home and	
	self-isolate for 10 days. Anyone in your	
	support bubble must also stay at home.	