

COVID – 19 RELATED PUPIL ABSENCE
A quick reference guide for parents

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What to do if....	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...my child has COVID - 19 symptoms (cough, temperature, loss of taste or smell)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Self-isolate the whole household Get a test Inform school immediately about test result 	...the test comes back as negative
...my child tests positive for COVID 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree the earliest date for the child to return to school - minimum of 10 days Self-isolate the whole household 	...they feel better. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last several weeks
...my child tests negative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact school to inform us Discuss when your child can return to school (same day/next day) 	...the test comes back negative
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to COVID – 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Follow the school policy to notify the school of absence Contact your GP if concerned 	... Follow the school policy and contact the school for advice if necessary
...someone in my household has COVID – 19 symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Self-isolate the whole household Household member with symptoms to get a test Other household members should only test if they develop symptoms Inform school immediately about test result 	...the test comes back as negative of the person with symptoms
...someone in my household tests positive for COVID – 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree the earliest date for the child to return to school - minimum of 14 days Self-isolate the whole household 	...the child has completed the 14 days of isolation
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed COVID – 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree the earliest date for the child to return to school - minimum of 14 days 	...the child has completed the 14 days of isolation
...we/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not take unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agree the earliest date for possible return - minimum of 14 days from return date Self-isolate the whole household 	...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed
...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<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 	...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again
.... my child's bubble is closed due to COVID – 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL At home support your child with remote education provided by the school Your child will need to isolate for 14 days 	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened