

Covid-19 related pupil absence
A quick reference guide for parents

What to do if.....	Action Needed	Return to school when....
My child has Covid-19 symptoms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIGH TEMPERATURE - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back • A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH - this means coughing a lot more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hrs • A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE - this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything 	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days Get a test INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULT The test comes back negative
My child tests positive for Covid-19.....	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 10 days Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days Bubble isolates/remote learning They feel better. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell These symptoms can last for several weeks
My child tests negative	CONTACT THE SCHOOL Discuss when your child can come back to school (same day/next day)The test comes back negative
My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19	FOLLOW USUSL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY	After 48hrs following the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea if this is the cause of absence
Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days Household member to get tested INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULTSThe test comes back negative
Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school Agree an earliest date for possible return Minimum of 14 days The child has completed 14 days of isolation
NHS track & trace has identified my child has been in close contact with someone with symptoms of confirmed Covid-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL CONTACT SCHOOL Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days The child has completed 14 days of isolation
We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine	Do not take unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine arrangements and FCO advice when booking travel Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days from return date Self-isolate the whole householdThe quarantine period of 14 days of isolation
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL CONTACT SCHOOL Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused againSchool inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school
My child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL At home support your child with remote education provided by school. Your child will need to isolate for 14 daysSchool will inform you when the bubble will be re-opened

