



Advice for Parents about Covid 19 Symptoms

Friday 11th September 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

Please see the information below which you can refer to with regards to pupil absence and remote learning. We anticipate that many children will be referred for testing over the coming months as children commonly exhibit a high temperature for a number of childhood illnesses at this time of year.

Please note that in the event of a positive test we will inform the parents immediately.

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 24hrs. 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 RESULTThe 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	INFORM 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 USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDUREAfter 24 hours following the last bout of sickness / diarrhea if this is the cause of absence.
Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact School to inform us. Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. Household members to get tested.The test comes back negative.

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Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact School to inform us. Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days.	...The child has completed 14 days of isolation.
NHS test & trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with symptoms of Covid-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact School to inform us. 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 requirements 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 household.	...The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	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.

Remote learning

In the event of any local lockdown or a child having to isolate for a two-week period we will provide home learning.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Warm regards,

Kevin Riley
Head of School