



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



What to do if	Action Needed	Return to school when
<p>My child has Covid-19 symptoms:</p> <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 coughing episodes in 24 hours • A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE, this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything. 	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact school to inform us • Self-isolate <u>the whole household</u> for 14 days • Get a test. <p>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULT</p> <p>EMAIL A SCANNED COPY TO: sec.woodside@halton.gov.uk</p>	<p>.... The test comes back negative</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid-19 ...</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 isolate – home learning packs will be distributed 	<p>.... 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 or longer</p>
<p>My child tests negative</p>	<p>CONTACT SCHOOL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss when your child can come back to school (same day/next day) 	<p>.... The test comes back negative</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19</p>	<p>FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDURE</p>	<p>After 48 hours following last bout of sickness/diarrhoea if this is the cause of absence</p>
<p>Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact school • <u>Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days</u> • Household members to get tested if possible <p>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULTS</p>	<p>.... The test comes back negative</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact school • Agree an earliest date for possible return – minimum of 14 days • Home learning packs will be distributed 	<p>.... The child has completed 14 days of isolation</p>
<p>NHS test & trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with symptoms of confirmed Covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</p> <p>CONTACT SCHOOL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agree an earliest date for possible return – minimum of 14 days • Home learning packs will be distributed 	<p>.... The child has completed 14 days of isolation</p>
<p>We/my child has travelled to a country with a quarantine restriction and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not take unauthorised leave in term time • Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel • When returning from a destination where quarantine is needed agree an earliest date for possible return - <u>minimum of 14 days</u> 	<p>.... The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed</p>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</p> <p>CONTACT SCHOOL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again • Home learning packs will be distributed 	<p>.... School inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school.</p>



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My child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL <ul style="list-style-type: none">• At home support your child with home learning packs provided by school• Your child will need to isolate for 14 days School will inform you when the bubble will be reopened.
One child's bubble has closed in the school, but my other child's class is still in school	Only pupils/ staff who have been in direct contact with a positive case needs to self-isolate	Siblings in other bubbles can still attend school.