

COVID-19: INFORMATION ABOUT SYMPTOMS, TESTING AND ISOLATING

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are:

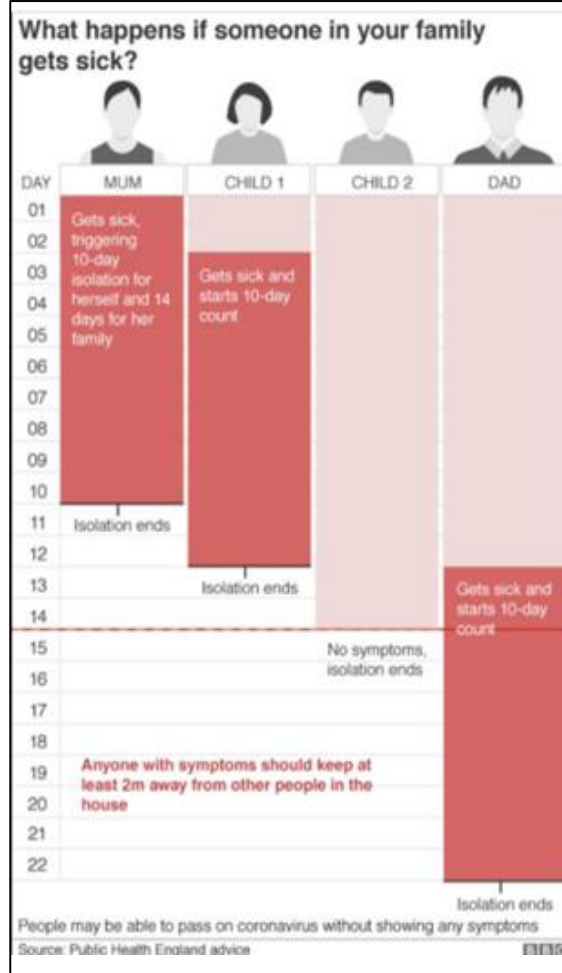
- a **high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature, but if you do, the temperature considered to be a fever is 37.8°C).
- a **new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours. It is usually a dry cough, with no mucous. (If you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual).
- a **loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Please do not send your child to school if anyone in your household has any of these symptoms and get an NHS COVID-19 test for person with symptoms.

If your child has a cough they will not be able to stay in school until they have had a negative COVID test or are better.

Please get them a test if you think it might be COVID-19 or see a pharmacist or doctor if you think it is a cold or chest infection.

Sneezing, a runny nose, sinus congestion, and sore throats are **NOT** symptoms usually associated with COVID-19.



If someone tests positive they will be asked questions about who they have been in close contact with from 48 hours before they started to display symptoms to enable the NHS Test and Trace to be implemented. **Close contact** means:

- Face-to-face within 1 metre, when neither person is wearing a mask, for any length of time
- Being within 2 metres (with neither person wearing a mask) for more than 15 minutes
- Being in an enclosed space (room) for more than 2 hours
- Travelling together in a small vehicle, such as a car.

Remote learning

If a child is isolating at home while waiting for a test result for themselves or a member of their household, they should access lesson resources through Edulink.

If it becomes necessary for one or more whole year group of students to remain at home, we will provide lessons via Microsoft Teams for all KS4 & KS5 lessons, according to the normal timetable times. All Teams lessons will be recorded so that students can access them later if necessary.

KS3 students will have Teams lessons for English, Maths, Science, History, Geography, RE, and Spanish/French delivered according to the normal timetable, but will receive project work, through Edulink, for Computer Science, Performing Arts, Art & Technology, and PE. All Teams lessons will be recorded so they can be accessed later if necessary. This, together with the mixture of project work and Teams lessons, should help students who have to share IT equipment to plan their days.

As it is most likely that students who are required to stay at home will only need to do that for 2 weeks at a time, students will hand their work in to teachers when they return to school, and sanctions for not completing work will be given out at that time. We will revise these plans if a longer period of home learning becomes necessary.

COVID-19 related student absence from school - a quick reference guide

What to do if....	Action to take	Return to school
...my child (or someone in our household) has symptoms of COVID-19	Do not come to school Contact the school to inform us Self-isolate the entire household Get a test for the person with symptoms	...if the test result is negative, as long as they are feeling well. Please let the school know the test result as soon as you can.
...my child tests positive for COVID-19	Do not come to school Contact the school to inform us Self-isolate the entire household for 14 days (see infographic above for details)	... after 10 days from the first day they had symptoms if they are feeling well & do not have a fever. (They may still have a cough or a loss of taste/smell – these symptoms can last for weeks)
...someone in our household tests positive for COVID-19	Do not come to school Contact the school to inform us Self-isolate the entire household for 14 days (see infographic above for details)	...after your child has isolated for 14 days, as long as they have not developed symptoms. If they have, see guidance above.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of someone who has tested positive	Do not come to school Contact the school to inform us	... after your child has isolated for 14 days, as long as they have not developed symptoms. If they have, see guidance above.
...NHS test and trace has identified someone else in the household as a close contact of someone who has tested positive	The named member of your household must isolate for 14 days Your child can continue to come to school	Continue to come to school
...a sibling at another school has been sent home to isolate because there is a positive case at that school	The sibling at that school must isolate for 14 days Your child(ren) at PWS can continue to attend school	Continue to come to school
...my child has returned to the UK after travelling abroad to a country that is NOT on the list of 'exempt from quarantine' countries	Do not come to school Isolate all who have been to that country for 14 days Contact the school to inform us	...after your child has quarantined for 14 days
...my child has returned to the UK after travelling abroad to a country that IS on the list of 'exempt from quarantine' countries	Check current guidance to confirm that no quarantine is needed Child can come to school if no quarantine period is needed	Continue to come to school
...someone in our household has returned to the UK after travel abroad to a country that is NOT on the list of 'exempt from quarantine' countries	The person who has travelled must quarantine for 14 days Your child can continue to come to school as long as they have not had any symptoms in the last 14 days	Continue to come to school, unless your child develops symptoms. If they do, see guidance above.
...Prince William School has told my child to remain at home because there is a positive case in school	The named child must not come to school Siblings who have not been told to stay at home can continue to come to school	...when the school informs you that their 'bubble' is re-opened
...I am unable to get a test for someone in my household who has symptoms	Do not come to school Isolate the entire household for 14 days	... after your child has isolated for 14 days, as long as they have not developed symptoms. If they have, see guidance above.
...my child has received medical advice that they must resume shielding	Do not come to school Contact the school to inform us and provide us with the medical evidence	...you receive medical advice that your child may return to school
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to COVID-19	Do not come to school Contact the school each day of absence	..when your child is feeling better

