

COVID-19 Schools Information for Parents

Symptoms of coronavirus

The accepted symptoms are:

- a new and continuous cough
- fever/high temperature (37.8C or greater)
- loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste (anosmia)

If your **child** is displaying symptoms of coronavirus

- Please do not send them to school
- Book a test at <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>
- All other household members should stay at home until either the test comes back negative or, if they have a positive result, all household members should stay at home for 14 days from the start of the child's symptoms, even if they don't have symptoms themselves.
- If they develop symptoms within the 14 days, they need to stay at home for 10 days from the day their symptoms started and [arrange to be tested](#). They should do this even if it takes them over the 14-day isolation period.
- Parents should notify the School of a positive test result as soon as possible.

If **you or any other member of your household** are displaying symptoms of coronavirus

- Please do not send your children to school
- Book a test at <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>
- All other household members should stay at home until either the test comes back negative or, if they have a positive result, all household members should stay at home for 14 days from the start of the child's symptoms, even if they don't have symptoms themselves.
- If anyone develops symptoms within the 14 days, they need [arrange to be tested](#). If their test is POSITIVE they should isolate for ten days, even if it takes them over the original 14-day isolation period.

If someone else in your child's school tests positive for coronavirus:

If your child has been identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive for coronavirus, the contact tracing team or the school on their behalf will call you and may ask you to come and collect your child from school and take them home. If this happens outside of school hours the contact tracing team or the school on their behalf will call you and may ask you not to bring your child to school the following day. The team will advise you of the measures that you need to take in these circumstances.

Further information on Contact Tracing can be found here -

<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19/test-and-protect/coronavirus-covid-19-contact-tracing>

Further advice with regards to households with possible coronavirus infection is here - <https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19/test-and-protect/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-infection>

If your child is unwell with symptoms other than those relating to COVID-19 as noted above, please treat these as you would in normal circumstances, i.e. if they are well enough to attend school then they should attend (NB advice remains that pupils should not return to school for 48 hours after the last bout of vomiting or diarrhoea)

This guidance is based on the current situation and may change in response to changes in national guidance or to an increased prevalence of Covid-19 within our communities.