

Advice on what to do if a child or family member is unwell.

Does your child have symptoms of a cold? If so please keep them off school for a couple of days and return them to school should the symptoms improve.
If symptoms do not improve please follow the guidance below.

- 1. Does the child / adult have any of the following Covid 19 symptoms?**
 - New continuous cough, this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
 - Fever – temperature of 37.8C or above
 - Loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste & smell
- 2. Go to the [111.nhs.co.uk](https://www.nhs.uk) website and complete the questions to see if the symptoms point to a suspected case.**
- 3. Pending on the website advice follow the next 'yes' or 'no' step.**

Yes

Suspected case of Covid-19

- School to advise child/adult to be tested ASAP
- School will record relevant information and advise appropriately.
- School will advise that child/adult with symptoms should isolate for 10 days from the onset of their symptoms.
- All members of their household should also isolate for 14 days from the same date.

Child/adult receives a **negative** test result.

No

Manage as you would any other illness:

If diarrhoea or vomiting, child/adult must stay off school/work whilst symptomatic and for 48 hours after the last symptom.

RETURN TO SCHOOL/WORK AS SOON AS YOU ARE WELL ENOUGH TO DO SO.

Absence will be recorded as an illness, not related to Covid-19

If a child or member of staff in school has symptoms and tests negative: For Covid-19, provided they feel well, they can return to school and all other household members can end their isolation too (providing they do not have symptoms of the virus).

However, if someone from school has been identified as a direct CLOSE CONTACT of someone who has test positive for Covid-19 **they must then complete the 14 day isolation period, no matter what.** This is because if they test negative, the virus may still be incubating and might show up a few days later.

Confirmed case of Covid-19

- Parent/adult to provide date symptoms began and the date of the test.
- School to gather information and report to the DFE dedicated NHS advice team for schools.
- School/Hub will help identify contacts and will communicate with parents & carers the school's position.
- Child/adult recorded as absent with Covid-19.

The child/adult receives a **positive** test result, school to follow confirmed case guidance.