

## TCOLC Covid-19 related pupil absence- A quick reference guide for parents and carers

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when
<p>My child has Covid-19 symptoms:  <b>HIGH TEMPERATURE</b> – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back.  <b>A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH</b> – this means coughing a lot more in an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24hrs.  <b>A LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE</b> – this means you’ve noticed you cannot smell or taste anything</p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days.</li> <li>• Get a test.</li> <li>• <b>SEND SCHOOL A COPY OF THE TEST RESULT – positive OR negative.</b></li> </ul> <p>Call: 0116 2413984 Ext 105 or            Email: Covid19@cityleicester.leicester.sch.uk</p>	<p>...will depend on the test results- see below</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>• Send a copy of the NHS letter/email/text result to the school <i>(see above)</i></li> <li>• School will inform you of the earliest date for possible return – minimum of 10 days.</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days</li> </ul>	<p>They feel better. <b>They can return on the agreed date</b> even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks.</p>
<p>My child tests negative for Covid-19</p>	<p><b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Send a copy of the NHS letter/email/text result to the school <i>(see above)</i></li> <li>• Agree when your child can come back to school (same day/next day).</li> </ul>	<p>The test comes back negative and your child feels better.</p>
<p>My child test result is “inconclusive”</p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>• Have your child re-tested asap</li> </ul>	<p>If the 2nd result remains inconclusive – the child can return after they have completed 14 days of isolation</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19</p>	<p><b>FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE POLICY PROCEDURE.</b></p>	<p>They are well enough to attend</p>
<p>Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms</p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school.</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. • Household members to get tested.</li> <li>• <b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT THE TEST RESULTS.</b></li> </ul>	<p>The test comes back negative.</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school.</li> <li>• Agree an earliest date for possible return – <b>minimum of 14 days.</b></li> </ul>	<p>The child has completed <b>14 days of isolation.</b></p>
<p>NHS Test &amp; Trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with symptoms of confirmed Covid-19</p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school</li> <li>• Agree an earliest date for possible return – <b>minimum of 14 days</b></li> </ul>	<p>The child has completed <b>14 days of isolation.</b></p>
<p>We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do not take unauthorised leave in term time. • Consider quarantine requirements and Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) advice when booking travel.</li> <li>• Agree an earliest date for possible return – minimum of 14 days from return date.</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	<p>The quarantine period of <b>14 days has been completed.</b></p>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact school</li> <li>• Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.</li> </ul>	<p>When the shielding restrictions are lifted.</p>
<p>My child has been asked by the school to self-isolate because they have been in close contact with someone at school who has tested positive</p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At home support your child with remote education provided by school.</li> <li>• Your child will need to isolate for 14 days.</li> <li>• School will tell you the return date</li> </ul>	<p>School will inform you when your child can return.</p>