



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

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What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
COVID-19 SYMPTOMS IN YOUR CHILD / HOUSEHOLD		
My child has Covid-19 symptoms: <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 for more than an hour, or 3 or more 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 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL • Contact school to inform us • Self-isolate the whole household • Get a PCR test • Inform the school immediately on receipt of the results of the test (whether positive or negative). Results should be sent to covidresults@ivanhoe.co.uk as well as to your child's/children's form tutor(s). 	... the PCR test results are confirmed, follow the subsequent advice from the NHS about returning to school.
My child tests positive for Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL • Contact school to inform us by phoning the school or by emailing covidresults@ivanhoe.co.uk • Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days) • Follow the Government guidelines on self isolation for the household 	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. (These symptoms can last for several weeks.) AND the child feels well.
My child tests negative for Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CONTACT THE SCHOOL • Discuss when your child can come back to school (same / next day) 	...The test comes back negative
Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CONTACT THE SCHOOL • Contact school to inform us • Follow the Government guidelines on self isolation for the household • Household member with symptoms to get tested. • Inform the school immediately on receipt of the results of the test (whether positive or negative). Results should be sent to covidresults@ivanhoe.co.uk as well as to your child's/children's form tutor(s) 	...The child may return to school unless they develop symptoms. A PCR test should then be arranged as soon as possible and results reported to school. covidresults@ivanhoe.co.uk
Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CONTACT THE SCHOOL • Contact school to inform us by phoning the school or by emailing covidresults@ivanhoe.co.uk • Follow the Government guidelines on self isolation for the household 	...The child may return to school unless they develop symptoms. A PCR test should then be arranged as soon as possible and results reported to school. covidresults@ivanhoe.co.uk
My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19	Follow the usual school absence policy and procedureThey feel better / after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness / diarrhoea (if this is the cause of absence)



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TRACK AND TRACE		
NHS test and trace has identified my child has been in close contact of someone with symptoms of confirmed COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get a PCR Test • Contact school to inform us 	...child can continue to attend school unless they develop symptoms – a PCR test should then be arranged and results reported to school covidresults@ivanhoe.co.uk
NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get a PCR Test • Child can continue to attend school. 	...child can continue to attend school
QUARANTINING FOLLOWING TRAVEL		
... my child has travelled abroad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not take unauthorised leave in term time * Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) – for up to date travel information 	...Follow the Government guidelines for up to date advice regarding the country visited. *
SHIELDING		
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL • Contact school 	...School inform you that restrictions have lifted and your child can return to school