COVID-19 – Quick Reference Guide

What to do if	Action needed	Return to school
...my child has COVID-19 symptoms	• Do not come to school • Contact school to inform us • Self-isolate the whole household • Get a COVID-19 test • Inform school immediately about the test result	...when the test comes back negative.
...my child tests positive for COVID-19	• Do not come to school • Contact school to inform us • Confirm with the school the earliest date for possible return (min. 10 days after first symptoms *or* test) • Self-isolate the whole household	...after 10 days (date confirmed with school). *Please note, symptoms of a cough or loss of taste/smell can last for several weeks.*
...my child tests negative	• Contact school to inform us • Discuss when your child can come back	...if your child is symptom free and feeling well, they can return to school.
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to COVID-19 (sickness and/or diarrhoea)	• Do not come to school • Contact school to inform us of absence	...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea, as per normal school policy.
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to COVID-19 (runny nose and/or sore throat with no raised temperature)	• Check temperature and for symptoms of COVID-19 • If no COVID-19 symptoms, come to school if well enough • If not well enough, contact school to inform us of absence	...when they feel better and are showing no symptoms of COVID-19.
...someone in my household has COVID-19 symptoms	• Do not come to school • Contact school to inform us • Self-isolate the whole household • Household member with symptoms to get a COVID-19 test • Other household members who have no symptoms of COVID-19 do not need a test • Inform school immediately about the test result	...when the test comes back negative. *Please note, if you have been sent home to self-isolate, the original return date stands, even if you get a negative test in the middle of that fortnight. This is because symptoms can develop at any point during the 14-day period.*
...someone in my household tests positive for COVID-19	• Do not come to school • Contact school to inform us • Confirm the earliest date for possible return (min. 14 days) • Self-isolate the whole household	...when the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed COVID-19	• Do not come to school • Contact school to inform us • Confirm the earliest date for possible return (min. 14 days)	...when the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine	Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed: • Confirm the earliest date for possible return (min. 14 days) • Self-isolate the whole household	...when the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
...we have received medical advice that my child should not come to school	• Do not come to school • Contact school to inform us • Isolate until you are informed that restrictions are lifted	...you have received medical advice that your child can return to school.
...my child is sent home from school as they have been identified as having been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19	• Do not come to school until the return to school date provided by school • Siblings can continue to attend unless they develop symptoms or a person in the household develops symptoms and tests positive • At home, support your child with online learning	...when school informs your child is allowed to return.