

COVID-19 related child absence

A quick reference guide for parents and carers – September 2020

WHAT TO DO IF.....	ACTION NEEDED	RETURN TO NURSERY WHEN.....
....my child has Covid-19 symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to nursery - Contact nursery to inform us - Self-isolate the whole household - Get a test - Inform nursery about the test result	....the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started and the child feels well.
....my child tests positive for Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to nursery - Contact nursery to inform us - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days) - Self-isolate the whole household	....10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell - <i>(These symptoms can last for several weeks)</i> - AND the child feels well.
....my child tests negative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact nursery to inform us - Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day)	....the test comes back negative.
....my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to nursery - Contact nursery to inform us - Ring on each day of illness	....after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per our sickness policy).
....someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to nursery - Contact nursery to inform us - Self-isolate the whole household - Household member get a test - Inform nursery immediately about the test result	....the test comes back negative.

....NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to nursery - Contact nursery to inform us - Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days)	....the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
....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"> - The household member must self-isolate for 14 days - Child can continue to attend nursery	....the child can continue to attend nursery.
....a sibling attending another school or setting has been sent home to self-isolate due to their being a positive case in their school or nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days - Child can continue to attend nursery	....the child can continue to attend nursery.
....my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that is NOT on the exempt list of countries	<p>If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minimum of 14 days self-isolation for all those who travelled - Contact nursery to inform us you are back in country and we will agree earliest possible return date - Self-isolate the whole household	....the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
....my child has travelled abroad from a country or territory that IS on the exempt list of countries	<p>If returning from a destination where quarantine is not needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check the current list to confirm the country is on the exempt list - Contact nursery to agree a return date	....you have informed the port/airport of your return and contact details.
....I have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine, but my child didn't travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As long as you do not have/ have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend nursery - The person who has travelled MUST NOT leave the house, including pick-ups and drop-offs	....child can continue to attend nursery.
....we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to nursery - Contact nursery to inform us - Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted, and shielding is paused again 	<p>....nursery informs you that restrictions have been lifted.</p> <p>....you receive medical advice that your child may return to nursery.</p>

....my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Child must not come to nursery- Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days- Other siblings may continue to attend nursery	....nursery inform you that the bubble will be reopened.
....I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms	If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, your child and anyone they live with should stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home.	....the child has completed 14 days of isolation.