



School child isolation guide for parents and carers

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your child is displaying symptoms at home
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someone in your child's household develops symptoms
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your child starts displaying symptoms at school
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a child within your child's school 'bubble' is sent home or self-isolating because they are displaying symptoms
- **Scenario 5:**
your child has been in close contact with someone symptomatic

Important information:

The isolation period includes the day symptoms start (or the test was taken on the 1st of the month if you do not have symptoms), and the next full 10 days.

For example:

- Symptoms started at anytime on the 1st of the month (or the day your test was taken if you do not have symptoms)
- Your isolation period ends at 23:59 hrs on the 11th of the month.

If your child is symptomatic but is refusing or unable to have a test you must treat them as positive. Your child and household must complete 10 days isolation.

Please be assured that teachers cannot take children to a coronavirus testing site without the permission of a parent or carer. And under no circumstances would children be held without parental access if the child tested positive.

COVID-19 symptoms include:



High temperature

This means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back – you do not need to measure your temperature, although if you do it would be 37.8°C or above.



A new, continuous cough

This means coughing for over an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual).



Loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

This means you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different.

£ Test and Trace Support Payments

If you have been asked by NHS Test and Trace to isolate and are unable to work from home and in receipt of certain benefits then you might be eligible for support.

Find out more at: www.kirklees.gov.uk/covid19supportpayment

What to do if your child is displaying symptoms

Do not send your child to school



Isolate your household

This includes you as a parent/carer, any siblings and anyone else who lives in your house



Call **119** or visit: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus to arrange a test for your child and continue to isolate until test result is received



Negative test result

Household stops isolating immediately.
Your child can return to school.

Positive test result

Your child and household must continue to isolate.

Infected child = 10 full days

Everyone else = 10 full days

after start of symptoms



No temperature after isolation period

Your child can stop isolating and return to school.

Please note that you, or anyone in your household, cannot take your child to school until you have completed the full 10 day isolation period.

High temperature after isolation period

If your child is still experiencing a high temperature after the 10 day isolation period do not send them back to school until they are 48 hours free from temperature. Call **111** or visit: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus for further advice.



What to do if you or someone in your household has developed symptoms

Do not send your child to school



Isolate your entire household



Call **119** or visit: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus to arrange a test for the person displaying symptoms and continue to isolate until test result is received



Negative test result

Household stops isolating immediately your child can return to school

Positive test result

Your household must continue to isolate.

Infected person = 10 full days

Everyone else = 10 full days

after start of symptoms



No symptoms after isolation period

If your child doesn't experience any symptoms during their full 10 days of isolation they can return to school on day 11

Symptomatic during isolation period

If your child develops symptoms during the 10 day isolation period your child must restart 10 day isolation. Please refer to *Scenario 1*



What to do if your child starts displaying symptoms at school

Collect from school immediately

Your child will be isolated from the rest of their school bubble, you will be notified and asked to collect your child as soon as possible*



Isolate your household

This includes you as a parent /carer, any siblings and anyone else who lives in your house



Call **119** or visit: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus to arrange a test for your child and continue to isolate until test result is received



Negative test result

Household stops isolating immediately your child can return to school

Positive test result

Your child and household must continue to isolate for 10 full days after start of symptoms.

Infected child = 10 full days

Everyone else = 10 full days



No temperature after isolation period

Your child can stop isolating and return to school.

Please note that you, or anyone in your household, cannot take your child to school until you have completed the full 10 day isolation period.

High temperature after isolation period

If your child is still experiencing a high temperature after the 10 day isolation period do not send them back to school until they are 48 hours free from temperature.

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What to do if a child within your child's school bubble is sent home or is self-isolating because they are displaying symptoms

Continue as normal

unless your school advises otherwise.

The symptomatic child will be advised to isolate for 10 days and everyone else in their household for 10 days from when symptoms started.

The symptomatic child will be encouraged to take a test.



Negative test result

The child's household stops isolating immediately and the child can return to school

Positive test result

If the child tests positive, any children who have been in direct prolonged contact with the child who has tested positive will receive an individual letter from their school advising **self-isolation for 10 full days after contact with positive case.**

The rest of your household do not need to self-isolate unless they start to display symptoms.



If your child starts to display symptoms, arrange a test:



Negative

continue to complete **10 full day isolation**

Positive

Household must restart 10 full day isolation period for a further 10 full days



What to do if your child has been in close contact with someone symptomatic

Does the symptomatic person live with you or attend the same school as your child



NO

Your child does not need to self-isolate.

However, if you are contacted by NHS Test and Trace about your child or for yourself you must follow their advice and self-isolate.

If your child develops symptoms following close contact your household must self-isolate immediately.
See *Scenario 1*.

YES

Live with
See *Scenario 2*

School
See *Scenario 4*

