



GREATWOOD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Covid-19 related pupil absence

A quick reference guide for parents



What to do if....	Action Needed	Return to school when
My Child has Covid-19 symptoms: HIGH TEMPERATURE – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back A NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH - this means coughing a lot 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	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Self isolate the whole household for 14 days Get a test INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT THE TEST RESULT	...The test comes back negative.
My Child tests positive for Covid-19....	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 10 days Self isolate the whole household for 14 days Bubble isolates/remote learningThey feel better. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks.
My Child tests negative	CONTACT THE SCHOOL Discuss when your child comes back to school (same day/next day)The test comes back negative
My Child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19	FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE PROCEDURE	..When they are well again or after 48 hrs following the last bout of sickness/diarrhoea if this is the cause of absence
Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Self isolate the whole household for 14 days Household members to get tested INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY OF TEST RESULTSThe test comes back negative
Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 daysThe child has completed 14 days of isolation
NHS test and trace has identified my child as being in close contact with someone with confirmed Covid-19 symptoms	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 daysThe child has completed 14 days of isolation
We/my Child has travelled and has to self isolate as a period of quarantine	Do not take unauthorised leave in term time. Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days from return date. Self isolate the whole household	The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL Contact school to inform us Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again	...School informs you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school
My Child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school	DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL At home, support your child with remote education provided by school Your child will need to isolate for 14 daysSchool will inform you when the bubble will be reopened

NB : If we have a child absent from school awaiting COVID test results, their bubble will remain open unless there is a positive result.