Covid-19 (Coronavirus) Absence
A Quick Guide for Parents

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school when...
My child or another family member has Covid-19 symptoms	• Do not come to school • Keep school updated • Self-isolate – follow guidance • Book a Covid-19 test for the child or family member showing symptoms • Inform school immediately about test results	The test comes back as **negative**.
My child tests positive for Covid-19	• Do not come to school • Keep school updated • Self-isolate for at least 10 days • Inform school immediately about test results • Keep siblings off too • Seek guidance from TTP	They can return to school after 10 days (siblings after 14 days if not showing symptoms) even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.
Somebody in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	• Do not come to school • Keep school updated • Self-isolate • Household member to book a Covid-19 test only if they are showing symptoms • Inform school immediately about test results	The household member test is **negative** or self-isolation is completed
Somebody in my household has tested positive for Covid-19	• Do not come to school • Keep school updated • Self-isolate for 14 days	The child has completed 14 days of self-isolation.
NHS Test, Trace and Protect have identified my child as a 'close contact' of a confirmed Covid-19	• Do not come to school • Book a Covid-19 test only if your child is showing symptoms, or you are specifically instructed by Test, Trace and Protect to do so, • Keep school updated • Self-isolate for 14 days	The child has completed 14 days of self-isolation The Covid-19 test comes back as **negative** for the 'close contact'. The child has completed 10 days of self-isolation from onset of symptoms

		if the Covid-19 test comes back as positive
We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine	• Do not take unauthorised leave in term time • Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel • Provide information to school as per attendance policy **Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:** • Do not come to school • Keep school updated • Self-isolate for 14 days	The quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.
We have received advice that my child must resume shielding	• Do not come to school • Contact the school as advised by the attendance officer/pastoral team • Shield until you are informed restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again	School/other agencies inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again.
A member of staff or a member of their household becomes symptomatic	• That member of staff must remain at home until they or a member of their household receives their test result. • School will seek advice from Test, Trace, Protect Wales and the Local Authority.	If it is negative they will return to school. If they or their family member is positive then Test, Trace, Protect Wales will contact the case and give advice.
I can't get a test for my symptomatic child when I go online or ring	• If you cannot access a test locally when you go online Apply for a coronavirus (COVID-19) test GOV.WALES or ring 119 please contact the school and we will try to help.(We cannot promise we can help but we will try our best!)	The test is negative

(Many thanks to the Rhyl and Rhuddlan Learning Community for developing this guide.)

If you are unsure or have any questions regarding sending your child to school, please contact the school office before sending them in to ensure the safety of all staff and pupils.

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