

## Parental Guidance on Sending Children to School during COVID Pandemic

Would you have kept your child off school before COVID?

YES

Keep your child off school

NO

Do they have

- 1) A NEW CONTINUOUS cough?
- 2) A fever (high temperature over 38C when using a thermometer)?

YES

NO

Keep your child off school and at home.

Speak to 119 or go to the

[www.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

website and arrange for a test to be done..

Your child and your household must self-isolate until you have the result of the test.

Kids who are otherwise well with

- Runny noses
- Sore throats **without** a fever
- Mild colds

Can go to school AS NORMAL

Dear Parents

It is only week two and already we have a significant number of children displaying symptoms of the common cold. This gives us some indication of the speed at which infection can travel throughout a school despite enhanced cleaning and personal hygiene. For some, staff included, the symptoms are relatively mild but for a few, the symptoms have been more severe and have included what may be classed as a fever and a new continuous cough. Under these circumstances a test should be sought as indicated above but also the rest of the household MUST self-isolate until a clear result is given or alternatively, 14 days if the result returns positive.

Unfortunately, the situation in Cornwall at present is that it is almost impossible to obtain a test and we sincerely hope this is rectified soon so disruption to daily life is kept to a minimum.