

Schools resources for COVID-19

What is coronavirus?

A coronavirus is a type of virus. As a group, coronaviruses are common across the world. Typical symptoms of coronavirus include high temperature, a new, continuous cough that may progress to a severe pneumonia causing shortness of breath and breathing difficulties and a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste.

Generally, coronavirus can cause more severe symptoms in people with weakened immune systems, older people, and those with long-term conditions like diabetes, cancer and chronic lung disease. Novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a new strain of coronavirus first identified in Wuhan City, China.

Guidance for educational settings

This guidance will assist staff in protecting themselves and others from coronavirus (COVID-19) in educational settings. This includes childcare, early years, schools, further and higher education institutions. This guidance will be updated in line with the changing situation. More information is available [here](#).

NHS Resources and videos

- [Handwashing for teachers](#)
- [Handwashing for children](#)
- [Coronavirus factsheet for kids](#)
- PDF coronavirus fact sheet attached

PHE webcasts for all professionals working in educational settings

- [Breaking the chain of infection](#)
- **Add in additional webcasts when finalised**

PHE resources for children

- Youtube videos explaining infections to children:
 - [How can I stop germs?](#)
 - [How can a body fight germs?](#)
 - [How do germs spread?](#)

Additional Resources

You can find many resources for teaching children about infections and infection control on the [ebug website](#).

- [My Hero is you](#): A book that aims to help children understand and come to terms with COVID-19. This explains how children can protect themselves, their families and friends from coronavirus and how to manage difficult emotions when confronted with a new and rapidly changing reality.
- [Coronavirus, a book for children](#): This book answers key questions in simple language appropriate for 5 to 9 year olds.

- [The Stay Home Superheroes](#): An online ebook about the importance of staying at home and how this is helping to stop the spread of the virus.
- [Guide to Coronavirus](#): PDF explaining what coronavirus is, how to spot the symptoms, how to prevent the spread and manage emotions.

Teaching resources:

- [Lesson plans](#): Ebug has a whole range of fun lesson plans on hand washing and respiratory hygiene for key stage one, two and three.
- [Save the World](#): a family-friendly educational game to help face the Coronavirus pandemic. Players of all ages can become better at social distancing through playing