

### Can my child come to school?

Schools have been re-opened by the Government because it has been assessed that the benefits of direct face to face teaching, physical education, emotional and social benefits of attending school outweigh the small risk of childhood illness through contracting Covid-19. This is further supported by the school's internal measures to manage hygiene and social distancing as part of our own risk assessment and control. We understand that you as families want to support the safety of not only your own children, but of our whole school community. As we enter the coughs and colds season, the following chart may be helpful for you in assessing whether your child is able to attend school, and to also provide clarification about when work should be completed at home. We are fully aware that a wide variety of childhood ailments still exist, and wish to emphasise that no child will be expected to complete work whilst they are ill. However, under current guidance there may be circumstances where your child needs to stay at home even if they are not physically unwell themselves. Working at home is designed for these circumstances only.

Child is ill	-	Child stays at home No work sent home as unwell
Child has been ill and medical and medical advice sought	-	Family to follow medical guidance which may include coming to school if child is well enough and has no Covid-type symptoms
Child is poorly, and would be normally be ok to come to school, but has a cough	-	Child stays at home, as a cough is on the list of Covid symptoms. Work is sent home as child is well enough to learn.
Child is poorly and has a temperature	-	This is one of the key Covid symptoms, and usually accompanies illness, no work sent home. Family may seek medical guidance or refer to nhs111online ( <a href="http://www.111.nhs.uk/covid19/">www.111.nhs.uk/covid19/</a> ) to assess whether a test is recommended
Child has a cold, but no cough or temperature	-	Child may attend school if family deems they are well enough. If not, then they are "child is ill" and no work will be sent home.
Child is waiting test result	-	Child remains at home. Work may be sent home if the family deem the child well enough to learn. The school must be informed of the test result. If negative, child may return to school and child is well enough to learn.
Family member, but not the child themselves, is waiting a test result	-	Work to be completed at home each day as child is not ill and so able to learn
Child is isolating (this could be in a family bubble, or as part of wider guidance from PHE)	-	Work to be completed at home each day as child is not ill and so able to learn.
Child has been vomiting	-	Child is ill and stays at home. Child may return to school 24 hours after the last incident if well enough to learn.
Child has vomiting and diarrhoea	-	Child is ill and stays at home. Child may return to school 48 hours after the last incident if well enough to learn.
Child has one or more Covid symptoms: cough, temperature, loss of smell or taste	-	Child stays at home. Seek online guidance for testing. ( <a href="http://www.111.nhs.uk/covid19/">www.111.nhs.uk/covid19/</a> ) May be sent to a drive in centre, or issued a home testing kit. The school must be informed of the test result. If negative, child may return to school and child is well enough to learn.
Child receives positive test result.	-	Child isolates at home for a minimum of 10 days. Family isolates for 14 days, or longer if they subsequently test positive. School must be notified of a positive test result. School and family engage with Track and Trace system/ PHE as required. Work will only be sent if the child recovers to full health, but is not yet at the end of their period of isolation.

Please do ring the school if you are unsure, as any child who displays Covid symptoms in school must be sent home following national and county guidance.

Thank you for your collective commitment in keeping our school community safe. *Miss Wass, Headteacher*