

## IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ

Covid-19 related pupil absence

A reference guide for parents

What to do if ....	Action needed	Return to school when ....
<p>My child has one or more of the following Covid-19 symptoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* HIGH TEMPERATURE - this means they have a temperature of over 37.6°c.</li> <li>* A NEW <u>CONTINUOUS COUGH</u> - this means coughing for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.</li> <li>*A LOSS OR CHANGE TO THEIR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE</li> </ul>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days.</b></li> <li>• Log on to the NHS website: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19</a> and follow the instructions regarding testing and self-isolation.</li> <li>• Check and follow the most up to date "Stay At Home" advice: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection</a></li> <li>• If you have not been able to find the necessary information required, telephone 119 for advice.</li> </ul> <p><b>If your child has a test, INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT THE TEST RESULT</b> so that if it is positive we can immediately trace contacts and complete any deep cleaning that is required.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You have been advised by the school that your child is able to do so.</li> <li>• If tested, the test comes back negative, your child feels well and no longer has symptoms similar to Covid-19 or any symptoms which would usually keep them off school.</li> </ul>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT THE TEST RESULT</b> so that we can immediately trace contacts and complete any deep cleaning that is required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agree a date for possible return - <b>minimum of 10 days.</b></li> <li>• <b>Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>They can return after 10 days</b> provided that they feel better, no longer have any symptoms and no other members of the household have displayed symptoms/tested positive since your child began self-isolating.</li> </ul>

<p>My child tests negative</p>	<p><b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss when your child can return to school.</li> <li>• Household members can stop self-isolating.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The test comes back negative, your child feels well and no longer has symptoms similar to Covid-19 or symptoms which would usually keep them off school.</li> </ul>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19</p>	<p>FOLLOW USUAL SCHOOL ABSENCE PROCEDURE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (if this is the cause of the absence).</li> </ul>
<p>Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <b>CONTACT THE SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days.</b></li> <li>• Check and follow the most up to date "Stay At Home" advice for the regulations and duration of household self-isolation: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection</a></li> </ul> <p><b>IF THEY HAVE A TEST, INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT THE TEST RESULT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You have been advised by the school that your child is able to do so.</li> <li>• The symptomatic household member receives a negative test result and has not been advised to self-isolate via the contact tracing team.</li> <li>• The child has completed <b>14 days of self-isolation</b> without any symptoms and no one else in the household has developed symptoms or tested positive since the 14 days began.</li> </ul>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b> <b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY ABOUT TEST RESULT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agree a date for possible return - <b>minimum of 14 days.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The child has completed <b>14 days of self-isolation</b> without any symptoms and no one else in the household has developed symptoms or tested positive since the 14 days began.</li> </ul>

<p>NHS test &amp; trace has identified my child as being in close contact with someone with a confirmed case of Covid-19</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL CONTACT SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer to the following guidance: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/</a></li> <li>Agree a date for possible return - <b>minimum of 14 days.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The child has completed <b>14 days of self-isolation</b> without any symptoms and no one else in the household has developed symptoms/tested positive since the 14 days began.</li> </ul>
<p>We/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not take unauthorised leave in term time.</li> <li>Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel.</li> <li><b>Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days.</b></li> <li>Agree a date for possible return - <b>minimum of 14 days.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The quarantine period of <b>14 days has been completed</b> and the child and no one in the household have developed symptoms/tested positive since the 14 days began.</li> </ul>
<p>We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL CONTACT SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are informed that shielding restrictions have been lifted.</li> </ul>
<p>My child's bubble is closed due to a positive Covid-19 test within their bubble</p>	<p><b>DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At home, support your child with their remote learning provided by school.</li> <li>Your child should <b>self-isolate for a minimum of 14 days.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School informs you that your child's bubble is reopened and your child or any member of the household have not had any symptoms/tested positive in the <b>last 14 days.</b></li> </ul>
<p>My child receives a positive test result "out of school hours"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Speed is of the essence so that we can quickly identify close contacts and have them self-isolate too. Send an email to: <a href="mailto:enquiries@monkshouse.lincs.sch.uk">enquiries@monkshouse.lincs.sch.uk</a> with the title "URGENT COVID" followed by your child's name and class.</li> </ul>	

My child has been told that they have to self-isolate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please keep the school updated about your child's health during this period so that we can continue to support your child from school. If they are fit enough to complete schoolwork, we will provide it and support them during their return to school.</li></ul>	
I have a general question relating to Covid-19 and testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the most up to date "Stay At Home" advice: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection</a></li><li>• If your question is not answered by reading this online document, please contact the school.</li><li>• There is a very informative summary of what to do given a positive/negative/inconclusive test result in this link: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/what-your-test-result-means/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/what-your-test-result-means/</a></li></ul>	