

Should I send my child to school?



Would you have kept your child off school before Covid?

Yes

No

Keep your child off school.

Go to the symptom checker and follow the advice given https://111.nhs.uk/covid-19/ Unsure?

Do they have one or more of the following symptoms?

- a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours

loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Yes

Keep your child off school and at home.

Speak to 119 or go to www.gov.uk/ coronavirus website to arrange a test.

Your child and your household must self-isolate until you have the result of this test, then follow the advice given following the result. See also https://www.nhs.uk/ conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-

No

Does your child have an underlying chronic medical condition?

Yes

No

Speak to their specialist about testing criteria if you haven't already seen or spoken to them.

Please ensure if your child does not attend school that you inform the school as to the reasons why. If your child does receive a positive test result please inform the school immediately. Children who are otherwise well with:

- Runny nose
- Sore throat without a fever
- Mild colds

Can go to school as normal

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