

Minimising Contact with individuals displaying symptoms of Covid-19

If anyone becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of or change in their normal sense of taste or smell, they must be sent home from school and advised to follow the 'stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (Covid-19) infection'. PPE must be used if there is a need by any member of staff to come within 2 metres of a child showing symptoms.



Parents will need to be contacted immediately. The area around where the child has been working should be cleaned as soon as possible.



When a child is awaiting collection, they will be moved to an isolated room behind a closed door and the window opened. This room has been designated as Mr Nicholls' Office and Mr Nicholls will supervise this child. When parents arrive to collect the child, they must also collect any siblings, as this should ensure there is minimal risk to other children and staff.



When collecting a child showing symptoms, Parents should then follow the 'stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (Covid-19) infection'. This sets out that they must self-isolate for at least 7 days, and must arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (Covid-19). Other members of their household should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms. All children can be tested, but will need support from a parent if using a home testing kit. Parents should inform schools immediately of any test results. If a child's test is negative, they can return to school as soon as possible.



Other children (or adults) who have been in close contact with the person with symptoms **do not** need to go home to self-isolate unless they develop symptoms themselves, in which case this same procedure would be followed, or unless they have been requested to self-isolate as part of the NHS Test and Trace system.