



## Covid-19 related pupil absence

*A quick reference guide for parents and staff (September 2020)*

What to do if...	Action Needed	Remote learning offer	Return to school when...
...my child has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not come to school</li> <li>- Contact school to inform us 24/7</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household</li> <li>- Get a test</li> <li>- Inform the school immediately about the test result via phone or email if out of school hours. <a href="mailto:office@abbey-tmet.uk">office@abbey-tmet.uk</a></li> </ul>	If the absence is longer than 2 school days please contact the school to discuss a learning pack. If appropriate a learning pack will be made ready for collection or be delivered by the pastoral team.	...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the child feels well.
...my child tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not come to school.</li> <li>- Contact school to inform us</li> <li>- School will contact you the next working day to agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days).</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	2 school days after alerting the school, the office will ring to confirm that your child's learning pack is ready to collect by someone who is not isolating in your household or will arrange for a safe delivery.	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. <i>(These symptoms can last for several weeks.)</i> <b>AND</b> the child feels well.
...my child tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Contact school to inform us and send through confirmation of negative test (where appropriate)</li> <li>- Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day).</li> </ul>	N/A	...the test comes back negative.
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Follow normal assessments at home to decide if your child is well enough to attend school.</li> <li>- Contact school to inform us.</li> <li>- Ring on each day of illness.</li> </ul>	N/A	...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not come to school.</li> <li>- Contact school to inform</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> <li>- Household member to get a test.</li> <li>- Inform the school immediately about the test result via phone or email if out of school hours. <a href="mailto:office@abbey-tmet.uk">office@abbey-tmet.uk</a></li> </ul>	If the absence is longer than 2 school days please contact the school to discuss a learning pack. If appropriate a learning pack will be made ready for collection or be delivered by the pastoral team.	...the test comes back negative.
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not come to school.</li> <li>- Contact school to inform us</li> <li>- School will contact you the next working day to agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days).</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul>	2 school days after alerting the school, the office will ring to confirm that your child's learning pack is ready to collect by someone who is not isolating in your household or will arrange for a safe delivery.	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Do not come to school.</li> <li>- Contact school to inform us 24/7.</li> <li>- School will contact you the next working day to agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 14 days).</li> </ul>	2 school days after alerting the school, the office will ring to confirm that your child's learning pack is ready to collect by someone who is not isolating in your household or will arrange for a safe delivery.	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The household member must self-isolate for 14 days.</li> <li>- Child can continue to attend school.</li> </ul>	N/A- child attending school	...child can continue to attend school
... a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to there being a positive case in their school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days.</li> <li>- the school's child(ren) can continue to attend.</li> </ul>	N/A- child attending school	...child can continue to attend school



<p><b>... my child has travelled abroad</b></p>	<p><b>If you have arrived in the UK from abroad you must self-isolate for 14 days when you return to the UK, unless the country is covered by the travel corridor exemption.</b> <b>(Google Gov travel exemption for most up to date list)</b> <b>If you are required to self-isolate follow the guidelines below:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- minimum of 14 days self-isolation for all those who travelled.</li> <li>- contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school.</li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> </ul> <p><i>*<a href="#">Foreign, Commonwealth &amp; Development Office (FCDO)</a> – for up to date travel information</i></p>	<p>2 school days after alerting the school, the office will ring to confirm that your child's learning pack is ready to collect by someone who is not isolating in your household or will arrange for a safe delivery.</p>	<p>...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.</p>
<p><b>...I have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine (but my child didn't travel).</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- As long as you do not have / have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, your child can continue to attend school.</li> <li>- The person who has travelled <b>MUST NOT</b> leave the house, including to do pick-ups and drop offs (<i>please contact school if you need support getting your child to school</i>).</li> </ul>	<p>N/A- child attending school</p>	<p>...child can continue to attend school</p>
<p><b>...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us 24</b></li> <li>- Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again.</li> </ul>	<p>2 school days after alerting the school, the office will ring to confirm that your child's learning pack is ready to collect by someone who is not isolating in your household or will arrange for a safe delivery.</p>	<p>...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again. ...you receive medical advice that your child may return to school.</p>
<p><b>...my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Child must not come to school.</b></li> <li>- Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school.</li> <li>- Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days.</li> <li>- <b>Other siblings may continue to attend school.</b></li> </ul>	<p>2 school days after alerting the school, the office will ring to confirm that your child's learning pack is ready to collect by someone who is not isolating in your household or will arrange for a safe delivery.</p>	<p>...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.</p>
<p><b>... I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms</b></p>	<p><b><i>If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, your child and anyone they live with must stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Call us to discuss a testing issue if you are facing one.</i></b></p>	<p>2 school days after alerting the school, the office will ring to confirm that your child's learning pack is ready to collect by someone who is not isolating in your household or will arrange for a safe delivery.</p>	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.</p>
<p><b>... I have had close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19.</b></p>	<p><b><i>Close contact means:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-direct close contacts - face to face contact with an infected individual for any length of time, within 1metre, including being coughed on, a face to face conversation, or unprotected physical contact (skin-to-skin)</li> <li>-proximity contacts - extended close contact (within 1 to 2metres for more than 15 minutes) with an infected individual</li> <li>-travelling in a small vehicle, like a car, with an infected person</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Do not come to school.</b></li> <li>- <b>Contact school to inform us.</b></li> <li>- Self-isolate the whole household.</li> <li>- Household member to get a test. If negative continue isolation for 14 days.</li> <li>- <b>Inform school immediately about test result.</b></li> </ul>	<p>2 school days after alerting the school, the office will ring to confirm that your child's learning pack is ready to collect by someone who is not isolating in your household or will arrange for a safe delivery.</p>	<p>...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.</p>