

# New Forest Care Education

## COVID-19 PARENT GUIDANCE – WHAT TO DO IF....

WHAT TO DO IF....	ACTION NEEDED....	BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN....
<p><b>MY CHILD HAS C-19 SYMPTOMS:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. High temperature, hot to touch on chest or back and/or</li> <li>2. A new CONTINUOUS cough, coughing a lot for more than an hour or 3 plus coughing episodes in 24 hours and/or</li> <li>3. A loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste</li> </ol>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Inform the school</li> <li>2. Self-isolate the household for 14 days</li> <li>3. Arrange to get a test as soon as you can</li> <li>4. <b>INFORM SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY TEST RESULT IS IN</b></li> </ol> <p><b>NB: If your child is unable to take a test</b> due to anxiety, sensory or behavioural needs please contact the school for further advice</p>	<p><b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>The test comes back negative</b> and</li> <li>2. you have informed the school of this directly</li> </ol>
<p><b>MY CHILD TESTS POSITIVE FOR C- 19:</b></p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <p>Contact school to inform us Agree an update date of at least 10 days from the date of the call.</p> <p>You should self-isolate the whole household for 14 days, following correct procedure for testing should someone else present with symptoms.</p>	<p><b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. They feel better <b>after at least 10 days of absence</b></li> </ol> <p><b>If you feel concerned the child still has symptoms, you should consult their GP/111</b></p>

	The school will contact PHE/DfE and isolate bubble members/move to remote learning for groups depending on the action plan created with PHE/DfE.	<b>The school cannot determine the date of return or advise about this after 10 days of absence.</b>
<b>MY CHILD TESTS NEGATIVE FOR C-19</b>	<b>ADVISE THE SCHOOL</b>  We will make arrangements for your child to return	<b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b>  1. You have advised the school 2. We have made arrangements with you for return
<b>MY CHILD IS ILL WITH SYMPTOMS NOT LINKED TO THOSE FOR C-19</b>	<b>FOLLOW USUAL ABSENCE PROCEDURES</b>  We'd ask you to be particularly vigilant if your child is unwell with a cold, flu or shivering symptoms and/or any sickness during this pandemic, and ask that they remain at home until well enough to attend school.	<b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b>  1. They feel better/you've liaised with medical professionals as needed. 2. After 48 hours if the illness was sickness/diarrhoea related
<b>SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD HAS SYMPTOMS OF C-19</b>	<b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b>  1. Contact the school 2. <b>ARRANGE TESTS FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS IF THEY HAVE SYMPTOMS</b> 3. Begin to self-isolate the household for 14 days until you get test results 4. <b>NOTIFY THE SCHOOL AS SOON AS YOU GET RESULTS</b>	<b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b>  1. Negative test results are obtained 2. You have advised the school, and 3. Your child feels better from any virus/other illness they may have caught from a family member.

<p><b>ANY MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL HAS ADVISED YOU OR YOUR CHILDREN/ANY HOUSEHOLD MEMBER TO SELF-ISOLATE</b></p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Arrange tests for all household members and keep child at home pending results</li> <li>2. <b>NOTIFY THE SCHOOL AS SOON AS YOU GET RESULTS</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A negative test result comes back for all household members</li> </ol> <p>Otherwise follow advice for what to do if household member tests positive for C-19 (below)</p>
<p><b>TEST AND TRACE HAS IDENTIFIED MY CHILD AS BEING IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO HAS SYMPTOMS OF OR CONFIRMED C-19 *</b></p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Contact the school and</li> <li>2. The child should begin 14 days of self-isolation</li> </ol>	<p><b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 14 days of self- isolation have been completed, with no symptoms presented</li> </ol>
<p><b>WE/MY CHILD HAS TRAVELLED AND NOW HAS TO SPEND A PERIOD OF TIME IN QUARANTINE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT TRAVEL CORRIDOR GUIDANCE</b></p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Begin to self-isolate for 14 days, notify the school and</li> <li>2. Arrange a return date at the end of that period.</li> </ol> <p>From now, consult FCO advice on where to travel safely, avoiding places where you cannot do so.</p> <p>Follow usual processes for requesting absence for exceptional circumstances – form on our website – before going away.</p>	<p><b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 14 days if self-isolation have been completed, with no symptoms presented</li> </ol>

<p><b>WE HAVE RECEIVED ADVICE FOR MY CHILD TO SHIELD FROM A MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL</b></p>	<p><b>DO NOT SEND CHILD TO SCHOOL</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide us with medical evidence as soon as you can.</li> <li>2. The child should shield at home until the medical professional amends the advice.</li> </ol>	<p><b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Medical advice is changed to the child is safe to return from shielding</li> </ol>
<p><b>MY CHILD'S BUBBLE IS CURRENTLY CLOSED BECAUSE OF AN OUTBREAK OF C-19 IN THE SCHOOL</b></p>	<p><b>CHILD WILL WORK REMOTELY FROM HOME</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Children will need to self- isolate for 14 days</li> </ol> <p>The school will advise you about this following the advice of and plan written with PHE/DfE</p>	<p><b>CHILD CAN RETURN WHEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The school informs you the bubble will be reopened</li> </ol>

**\*Government definition of 'close contact' as of Friday 11th September 2020:**

- **Direct close contacts:** Face to face contact with a case for any length of time, within 1 metre, including being coughed on, face to face conversation or unprotected physical contact (skin to skin)
- **Proximity contacts:** Extended close contact (within 1 to 2 metres for more than 15 minutes) with an infected individual
- **Travelling:** in a small vehicle, like a car, with an infected person

**NB:** The school will liaise with you with regards to the provision of work if your child is at home self-isolating, but well. This will primarily be delivered via the school's virtual learning environment.

We hope this document will take care of most scenarios, but if you are ever unsure, it is always best to keep your child at home, speak to your child's tutor, call us or email [education@newforestschool.co.uk](mailto:education@newforestschool.co.uk)