



Garlinge Primary School and Nursery

Covid 19 Absence: Guide for Parents & Families

What to do if.....	Action needed.....	Return to school when.....
<p>My child has Covid 19 symptoms, including any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new continuous cough. • A high temperature. (above 37.8 degrees C) • A loss or change in normal sense of taste or smell. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school. • Contact school to inform us. • Self-isolate the whole household. • Get a test. https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/condition • Inform the school immediately about the test result. 	<p>The test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the day after the symptoms started and the child feels well and has not had a temperature in the previous 48 hours.</p>
<p>My child has tested positive for Covid 19.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school. • Contact school to inform us and forward a copy of the test results. • Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum of 10 days). • Self-isolate the rest of the household for 10 days. 	<p>10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell (these symptoms can last several weeks) AND the child feels well.</p>
<p>My child tests negative for Covid 19.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact the school to inform us. • Discuss when your child can come back (same day/next day). 	<p>Agreed with school.</p>
<p>My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid 19 but could be contagious (e.g. sickness) or is too ill to come to school.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school. • Contact school to inform us. • Ring on each day of illness. 	<p>After 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per Attendance Policy) or when feeling well if not sickness related.</p>
<p>Someone in my household has Covid 19 symptoms.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school. • Contact school to inform us. • Self-isolate the whole household. • Household member to get a test. • Inform the school immediately about the test result and forward a copy of the results if positive 	<p>The test comes back negative and the pupil has not developed any symptoms.</p>

Someone in my household tests positive for Covid 19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school. • Contact school to inform us and provide a copy of the test results • Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum 10 days). • Isolate the whole household. 	The child has completed 10 days of isolation AND has not developed any symptoms.
NHS Test and Trace or school has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms of confirmed Covid 19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school. • Contact school to inform us. • Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum 10 days). • The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate. 	The child has completed 10 days of isolation AND has not developed any symptoms.
A sibling attending another school has been sent home to isolate due to there being a positive case in their school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sibling must isolate for 10 days. • Child/children attending our school can continue to attend as long as sibling does not present with symptoms. 	Child can continue to attend school.
My child has travelled abroad to and from a country that IS on the quarantine list.	<p>If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 10 days self-isolation for all those who travelled. • Contact school to inform us you are back in the country and we will agree an earliest date for possible return to school. • Self-isolate the whole household. 	The quarantine period of 10 days has been completed AND no member of the household has developed any symptoms.
My child has travelled abroad to and from a country that IS NOT on the quarantine list.	<p>If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check the current guidance to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is not on the quarantine list. http://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-countries-and-territories-exempt-from-advice-against-all-but-essential-international-travel • Ring school to inform us you have returned 	You have informed the Attendance Officer of your return (the Attendance Officer will ask you a few questions about your travel). School Office: 01843 221877 Option 1

	to the UK and agree a return date to school.	
I have travelled to a country that requires us to quarantine but my child did not travel.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As long as you do not/have not had symptoms in the last 10 days your child can continue to attend school. The person who has travelled MUST NOT leave the house, including to do drop-offs or pick-ups. 	Child can continue to attend school.
My child's pod is closed due to a Covid 19 outbreak in school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child must not come to school. Child must not come onto school site. Support your child at home with remote learning provided on the school website. www.garlingeprimary.co.uk Please contact the school office to request a paper pack of work if needed Other siblings may continue to attend school. Child should isolate and not leave home for a period of up to 10 days as advised by the school 	School will inform you of the date that the pod will be reopened.
I am unable to get a test for someone in my household that has symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 10 days from the day after the symptoms started. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home. 	The child has completed 10 days of isolation AND has not developed any symptoms.

Test sites:

Drive-through only testing site
 Manston Airport
 Manston Road
 Ramsgate
 CT12 5BQ
 Open: 8am-6pm Daily

Walk-through and Drive-through Testing Site
 Dreamland Car Park
 Belgrave Road
 Margate
 CT9 1XG

*Appointment slots must be booked for both sites using the following link: <https://www.thanet.gov.uk/info-pages/testing/>