

A GUIDE TO WHEN YOUR CHILDREN, YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD MUST ISOLATE

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Your child must still not come to school if they have symptoms that may be caused by COVID-19, even if they are mild. Symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

It remains very important that anyone who has symptoms stays at home and gets a PCR test. If the test is positive, NHS Test & Trace will advise how long to self isolate for. It is a legal requirement to self isolate if you are told to do so by NHS Test & Trace.

Any child developing symptoms during the school day will be sent home. Their siblings will remain at school.

Those people who are aged under 18 or are double vaccinated will no longer be legally required to self-isolate if they are identified as a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case.

Situation	Examples	ACTIONS	
		YOUR CHILD	PARENTS, SIBLINGS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD
You think your child <u>may</u> have coronavirus	<p>Your child has any of the symptoms detailed above</p> <p>Your child is waiting for a coronavirus test result</p>	<p>Your child must self isolate immediately</p> <p>Your child should take a PCR test</p> <p>You advise the school of their absence via absence@barnes.richmond.sch.uk stating that the child is 'self-isolating awaiting a test result'</p> <p>If the PCR test comes back negative, your child may return to school</p> <p>If the PCR test comes back positive, see below</p>	<p>Other household members do not need to isolate providing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They are under 18½ years old; or • They are double vaccinated (and have been for 14+ days); or • They are not able to be vaccinated for medical reasons; or • They are part of a COVID-19 vaccine trial
Your child <u>has</u> coronavirus	Your child has tested positive	<p>You share your child's contacts, including the name of this school, with NHS Test & Trace</p> <p>You advise the school via absence@barnes.richmond.sch.uk stating that the child 'has a positive test result for COVID-19'</p> <p>Your child completes their isolation as stipulated by NHS Test and Trace</p> <p>Your child returns to school once isolation period completed as long as their temperature is back to normal</p>	<p>Other household members do not need to isolate providing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They are under 18½ years old; or • They are double vaccinated (and have been for 14+ days); or • They are not able to be vaccinated for medical reasons; or • They are part of a COVID-19 vaccine trial <p>They are advised to get a PCR test</p>
Another member of your household <u>may</u> have coronavirus	Your child lives with someone who has symptoms	Any non-symptomatic children come to school as normal	<p>The symptomatic family member isolates and is advised to take a PCR test</p> <p>Other household members do not need to isolate providing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They are under 18½ years old; or • They are double vaccinated (and have been for 14+ days); or • They are not able to be vaccinated for medical reasons; or • They are part of a COVID-19 vaccine trial
Another member of your household <u>has</u> coronavirus	You live with someone who has tested positive	Any non-symptomatic children come to school as normal	<p>The positive family member isolates in line with NHS Test & Trace instructions</p> <p>Other household members do not need to isolate providing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They are under 18½ years old; or • They are double vaccinated (and have been for 14+ days); or • They are not able to be vaccinated for medical reasons; or • They are part of a COVID-19 vaccine trial <p>Other household members are advised to get a PCR test</p>
Your child is identified by NHS Test & Trace as a close contact of a person who has coronavirus	NHS Test & Trace has told you your child is a close contact of someone who has tested positive	<p>Your child will be asked to take a PCR test as soon as possible</p> <p>Your child does not need to self isolate whilst waiting for the results</p> <p>If the test is positive, see the 'Your child <u>has</u> coronavirus' section above</p>	Other members of your family do not need to self-isolate