COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence:
A quick guide for parents/carers

What to do if…	Action required	Back to school
My child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*	- Child should not attend school - Child should get a test** - Whole household self-isolates - Inform school about the absence - Inform school immediately about the test results - use COVID@leftwichhigh.com, if the result is received outside of school opening hours (school opening hours: 8am-4pm weekdays, during term time)	When child's test comes back negative and they have been without a fever for 48 hours
My child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	- Child should not attend school - Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - Inform school immediately - use COVID@leftwichhigh.com, if the result is received outside of school opening hours (school opening hours: 8am-4pm weekdays, during term time) - Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) – even if someone tests negative during those 14 days	10 days after symptoms started or day of test if no symptoms. They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.
Somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms	- Child should not attend school - Household member with symptoms* should get a test** - Whole household self-isolates while waiting for the test results - Inform school about the absence - Inform school immediately about the test results - use COVID@leftwichhigh.com, if the result is received outside of school opening hours (school opening hours: 8am-4pm weekdays, during term time).	When household member test is negative and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*
Somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus	- Child should not attend school - Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) even is someone tests negative during these 14 days - Inform school immediately	When child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days.

*Symptoms include at least one of:
a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal
https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/

** https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/get-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/

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NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact of somebody with confirmed COVID-19 (coronavirus)	- Child should not attend school - Child self-isolates for 14 days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace) – even if they test negative during those 14 days - Rest of household does not need to self-isolate, unless they are a 'close contact' too or the child subsequently develops symptoms* - Inform school immediately	When the child has completed the 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during those 14 days.
We/my child travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine	- Do not take unauthorised leave in term time - Consider quarantine and FCO advice when booking travel - Inform school - Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed: - Child should not attend school - Whole household self-isolates for 14 days – even if they test negative during those 14 days	When the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during these 14 days
I am not sure who should get a test for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	- Only people with symptoms* - People without symptoms are not advised to get a test even if they are a close contact of someone who tests positive	

Remote Learning
Where a student is not in school for a COVID related reason and they are well enough, remote learning will be provided and students will be expected to engage with this.

Support will be provided to ensure students can access remote learning.