

St Andrew's CE (VA) Junior School  
**COVID-19 related pupil absence**  
**A quick reference guide for parents**

What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school when...
...my child has Covid-19 symptoms	<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>• Get a test</li> <li>• <b>Inform school immediately about test result</b></li> </ul>	...the test comes back negative
...my child tests positive for Covid-19	<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>• <b>Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 10 days</b></li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household</li> </ul>	...they feel better. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/ smell. These symptoms can last for several weeks.
...my child tests negative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Contact school to inform us</b></li> <li>• Discuss when your child can come back (same day/ next day)</li> </ul>	...the test comes back negative
...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19	<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>• Ring on each day of illness</li> </ul>	...when well enough. In case of sickness or diarrhoea 48 hours following the last bout. As per attendance policy
...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	<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</li> <li>• <b>Inform school immediately about test result</b></li> </ul>	...the test comes back negative
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19	<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>• Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days.</li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household</li> </ul>	...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>• <b>Do not come to school</b></li> <li>• <b>Contact school to inform us</b></li> <li>• Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days.</li> </ul>	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation
...we/my child has travelled and has to self-isolate as a period of quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Do not take unauthorised leave in term time</b></li> <li>• <b>Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Agree an earliest date for possible return. Minimum of 14 days from return date</b></li> <li>• Self-isolate the whole household</li> </ul>	...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed
..we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<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>• Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again</li> </ul>	...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again
..my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Do not come to school</b></li> <li>• At home support your child with remote education provided by school</li> <li>• Your child will need to isolate for 14 days</li> </ul>	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened