

The London Oratory School

Coronavirus related absence: Ready Reference Guide

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What to do if...	Action needed	Code	Return to school when...
<p>...my child has coronavirus symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High temperature - New continuous cough - Loss/change in taste - Loss/change in smell <p>Also fatigue, headache, runny nose, sore throat</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school • Child to self-isolate and book a PCR test <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Others in the household to self-isolate unless exempt (see rules here) • Inform school immediately about test result <p><i>Siblings can attend school if under 18 years and 6 months or fully vaccinated.</i></p>	<p>Code X</p> <hr/> <p>Code changes to I if still ill after a negative result</p>	<p>...the test comes back negative. Children can return after a negative test as soon as they are well enough to do so.</p>
<p>...my child tests positive for coronavirus via a PCR test (this is the lab-based test booked online or via 119)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school • Child to self-isolate for 10 days (day 1 is the day after symptoms began or the day of the test if asymptomatic) • Book PCR tests for ALL household members • Inform school immediately about test result • Notify known contacts and engage with NHS Test and Trace. <p><i>Siblings should stay at home until they have had their (negative) PCR test. Following this they should attend school if under 18 years and 6 months or fully vaccinated.</i></p>	Code X	<p>... after a minimum of 10 days' self-isolation unless they are still very unwell or have temperature. 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.</p>
<p>...my child tests positive for coronavirus via a LFD Home- test (taken as part of the asymptomatic testing programme)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school • Contact school • Child to self-isolate and book a PCR test within 48 to confirm positive result • Inform school immediately about PCR test result. <p><i>Siblings can attend school if under 18 years and 6 months or fully vaccinated.</i></p>	<p>Code X</p> <hr/> <p>Code changes to I if still ill after a negative result</p>	<p>... if the PCR test is negative.</p>
<p>...somebody (other than an LOS pupil) in my household has coronavirus symptoms.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to School if over 18 years and 6 months and not fully vaccinated. • Person to book a PCR test • Inform school immediately about test result if it is positive. <p><i>Pupils can attend school if under 18 years and 6 months or fully vaccinated.</i></p>	Code X	<p>... if under 18 years and 6 months pupils should attend school unless they become unwell themselves.</p> <p>Or</p> <p>... if over 18 years and 6 months and not fully vaccinated you may only return if the PCR test is negative or</p>
<p>...somebody in my household (other than an LOS pupil) has tested positive for coronavirus via a PCR test</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school if over 18 years and 6 months and not fully vaccinated. • Book PCR tests for ALL household members • Inform school immediately about test result if it is positive. • Notify known contacts and engage with NHS Test and Trace. <p><i>Pupils should stay at home until they have had their PCR test. Following this they should attend school if under 18 years and 6 months or fully vaccinated. They can continue to stay in school unless their PCR returns positive, or they develop symptoms.</i></p>	Code X	<p>...if under 18 years and 6 months they can return after they have had their PCR test (no need to wait for results)</p> <p>Or</p> <p>... if over 18 years and 6 months and not fully vaccinated you must complete 10 days' self-isolation.</p>
<p>...NHS Test and Trace have identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms or confirmed coronavirus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not come to school until you have had a PCR test • Contact school <p><i>Pupils should stay at home until they have had their PCR test. Following this they should attend school if under 18 years and 6 months or fully vaccinated. They can continue to stay in school unless their PCR returns positive, or they develop symptoms.</i></p>	Code X	<p>...if under 18 years and 6 months they can return after they have had their PCR test (no need to wait for results)</p> <p>Or</p> <p>... if over 18 years and 6 months and not fully vaccinated you must complete 10 days' self-isolation.</p>
<p>...my child went to the medical officer complaining of COVID related symptoms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will assess the child and if we believe they are displaying COVID symptoms we will call parents to collect the child. • Child to book a PCR test • Inform school immediately about test result <p><i>Siblings can attend school if under 18 years and 6 months or fully vaccinated.</i></p>	<p>Code X</p> <hr/> <p>Code changes to I if still ill after a negative result</p>	<p>...the test comes back negative</p> <p>Children can return after a negative test as soon as they are well enough to do so.</p>
<p>...my child is ill with non-COVID related symptoms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take a common sense approach and keep your child at home as long as they are unwell 	Code I	<p>...as soon as they feel well enough to attend school</p>

<p>...we/my child travelled and have/has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not take unauthorised leave in term time • Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel – do not book any holidays where there is a risk of the quarantine period extending into term time. • Follow all guidance and advice set out by the government. • Provide information to school 	<p>Unauthorised absence unless trip was on compassionate grounds</p>	<p>...dependent on the individual circumstances.</p>
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