

# A Guide for Parents

## Should I send my child to school?



With the symptoms your child is displaying, would you have kept them off school **pre Covid**?

**YES**

**NO**

Keep your child off school until they are feeling better and inform school each day they are absent

**Does your child have:**

- **A high temperature** - this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure their temperature) or over 38°C if using a thermometer
- **A new, continuous cough** - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **A loss or change to their sense of smell or taste** - this means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

**We ask that you please keep your child at home**

Call 119 or visit [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/coronavirus) and arrange for a test to be done. **Your child & everyone within your household MUST isolate until a negative result has been confirmed.**

**YES**

**NO**

Seek further advice from your child's specialist team

**YES**

Does your child have a serious underlying health condition?

**NO**

Children who are displaying symptoms including:

- A runny nose
- A sore throat
- A mild cold with no fever/high temperature

**Can return to school as normal**