

Important Information Regarding COVID-19 in School

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **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

If your child has 1 or more of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) then please follow the steps below.

1. Do not send them to school. They must stay at home.
2. Any brothers or sisters must also stay at home even if they themselves are not showing symptoms.
3. Get them tested by using the testing website <https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/name>
4. Inform school that the children are isolating and are awaiting test results.
5. Inform school about the results of the test.
6. If the test is negative and the child is well enough, they may return to school.
7. If the test is positive we will send home the whole 'bubble' that the child is in.

If we have to send home a class 'bubble', siblings of those children can still come to school unless those bubble children start to show symptoms as well. In this case the brothers and sisters would have to isolate and get a test.

If a child develops symptoms whilst in school, they will be isolated and parents will be asked to collect them. The above steps should be followed.

If you are at all unsure about anything, please ask Mr Pritchard for clarification. More information can be found on our website <https://www.kennington.lancs.sch.uk/parents/covid-19-information>