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COVID Update

Symptoms

The main symptoms as identified by the NHS are still:

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) 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 you feel your child has COVID and want to discuss their symptoms please call 119. We are not able to offer medical advice and can only follow the guidelines we are issued by the government and Leeds City Council.

If your child has any symptoms you should arrange for a PCR test and they cannot come in to school

Lateral Flow Tests (LFT)

These are the tests you do when you do not have symptoms.

If you report that your child has symptoms we cannot accept a negative LFT result we will ask for a PCR test and your child will not be able to attend school until we see a negative result or they have completed 10 days isolation.



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Isolation Period

The isolation period is 10 days but you can now end this early if starting on the 6th day you have two consecutive negative Lateral Flow Test.

The day you have symptoms or have a positive test the first day of isolation is the day after.

For example, if you had symptoms or a test on a Monday the first day of isolation is the Tuesday and the 6th day, when you can do your first Lateral Flow Test is the following Sunday.

From now we will be asking for proof of all test results.

If your child has a positive PCR test we need to see the text/email confirmation, this can be forwarded, screen shot and emailed or shown to a member of staff. We would then need a picture of the two negative Lateral Flow tests and the NHS notification enabling them to return to school early.

If you report your child has symptoms we will need to see proof of a negative PCR test before they can return to school. You can forward the email/text notification you receive or show a member of staff the result.

If your child does not have symptoms but has a positive Lateral Flow test we need to see a picture of the test and the NHS notification and then the two negative Lateral Flow tests and the NHS notification enabling them to return to school early.

We need proof to enable us to code your child's absence accurately and so we can order a food hamper if eligible and arrange for work and a device if needed.

