

What should I do if my child is ill?

Would you have kept your child off school before Covid-19?

Yes

No

Keep your child off school.
Let the school know.

Do they have:

- a new continuous cough?
- a fever (high temperature over 38°C using a thermometer)?
or
- A complete loss or change of smell or taste?

Yes

No

Your child can return to school when they feel better.

Do they have:

- a new continuous cough?
- a fever (high temperature over 38°C using a thermometer)?
or
- A complete loss or change of smell or taste?

Yes

No

Does your child have an underlying chronic medical condition such as cystic fibrosis?

Yes

Speak to their specialist team about testing criteria if you haven't already seen or spoken to them or had a letter in the post telling you when to worry.

No

Keep your child off school and at home.
Speak to 119 or go to the www.gov.uk/coronavirus website and arrange for a test to be done. Your child and your household must self-isolate until you have the result of this test.

Let the school know.

Children who are otherwise unwell with:

- runny noses
- sore throats without a fever
- mild colds

Can go to school as normal.