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Dear Parents and Carers

Essential information for parents and carers

We are looking forward to welcoming **all** children back to school on Monday (plus Reception and Little Fishes later in the week). Our staff have been working incredibly hard to prepare the school for the children's return and every single one of them is excited at the prospect of full classrooms and the buzz and energy of a fully reopened school.

Please read the HM Government information on the next few pages and then carefully read our school specific guidance, which tells you how we are applying the Government guidance. Every setting is different and what we can or cannot do may be different to other schools. The government has published guidance with more detailed information which you can read here: [what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know](#).

There is a lot of information to read through.

Please take the time to read it carefully so that the new term can run as smoothly and safely as possible.
Thank you

Childcare

The school will no longer be running Rainbow Classes as all children are expected to be attending normal classes. However, if there is a local lockdown, we hope to run Rainbow Classes or Clubs for vulnerable children and children of critical workers once again.

Please note that if your child has previously attended Rainbow Classes/Clubs, it does not mean that your child will be entitled to do so again. Circumstances may change, there could be new government guidance and we may have to reprioritise who we can offer places to.

The management of places in our Rainbow Club / Classes has been a challenge – and we appreciate parental support with this. It is **essential** that parents and carers complete our online survey (which will be sent out next week) particularly if you are a critical worker. If you do not complete the survey you are unlikely to be offered childcare in Rainbow Classes if there is a second lockdown.

Likewise, if you need childcare with our Octopus and Starfish Clubs, please read the information below (there are some changes) and book up as soon as possible.

Kind regards

Mr Lincoln and Mr Etherton



HM Government

Returning to primary school: what parents need to know



From the autumn term, all children in England will return to school full-time.

We're doing everything we can to ensure your children are safe and happy at school.

Why are children going back to school now?

School is the best place for children to learn and for their overall wellbeing. It gives them a routine and helps them develop their social skills. They also get to see their friends and teachers. It is vital that all children return to school in the autumn. Attendance will be mandatory again from the beginning of the new term. The prevalence of coronavirus (COVID-19) has decreased since schools and colleges restricted their opening to most pupils in March.

Is it safe for my child to return to school?

Public Health England (PHE) is clear that the risk of catching coronavirus (COVID-19) is low if schools apply a system of stringent controls to reduce the risk of spreading the virus. This includes regular handwashing and cleaning measures.

We are advising schools and parents to make sure that anyone with symptoms does not attend. The chance of children becoming severely ill from the virus is also very low.

Do children transmit coronavirus (COVID-19) more than adults?

No. Children are no more likely to transmit the virus than adults. In fact, there is reasonable evidence that primary school age children have a significantly lower rate of infection than adults, although this is not yet conclusive.

Will my child be expected to socially distance in primary school?

We understand that young children find it hard to socially distance. To reduce risk, we are currently advising primary schools to create small groups, or 'bubbles', of children, with no mixing between bubbles. We realise some siblings are likely to be in different bubbles. However, we know that it still helps to reduce risk by keeping groups as separate as possible in school.

What should I do if my child or someone in my household has symptoms?

It's important that if your child (or anyone in their household) has any coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, they do not attend school and stay at home. You should arrange for them

to get a test and tell your school the test results. This will help the NHS Test and Trace process. If you have a positive test result, your household should remain at home and follow the Test and Trace self-isolation guidance.

What happens if there is an outbreak in my child's school or my local area?

If there is an outbreak at the school, local health protection teams will work with the school to agree what action is needed. Usually, the school will not need to close fully, but in case it does need to close for some children, it will have a contingency plan in place so that your child's education can continue. If your local area sees a spike in infection rates that is resulting in localised community spread, the government will decide what actions need to be taken.

Is there different advice for children who are clinically extremely vulnerable?

Shielding advice for all adults and children paused on 1 August. This means that even the small number of pupils who are still on the shielded patient list and those who have family members who are shielding can return to their school.

Visit www.gov.uk/backtoschool for more information on returning to school safely. Your child's school will have more information about the changes they have made ahead of your child's return in the autumn term.

Viv Bennett,
Public Health England's
Chief Nurse, has said:

“Parents can be reassured that to maximise safety in schools, an extremely stringent system of controls has been advised by PHE and is published in DfE guidance.

Evidence so far indicates that schools do not appear to be a primary driver of coronavirus infections in the community.

Globally children and young people have been found to experience coronavirus asymptotically or as a minor illness.”

[gov.uk/backtoschool](https://www.gov.uk/backtoschool)
[#backtoschoolsafely](https://twitter.com/backtoschoolsafely)

Essential Actions for Parents and Carers

- **You must comply with protective measures in line with Government regulation:**
 - Keep children (and adults) at home if they have the symptoms of coronavirus
 - Abide by any self-isolation regulations if you/your child are returning from overseas where any quarantine restrictions apply
 - Parents/carers can only enter the school building if they have an appointment
 - Ensure robust respiratory hygiene (catch it, kill it, bin it) – please help your children to adopt good habits with respiratory hygiene
 - Clean hands thoroughly and more often than usual – please show your children how to wash their hands thoroughly
 - Reduce contacts and maximise distancing (see social distancing below)
 - Engage actively with NHS Test and Trace

Staff will do the above and:

- Continue with enhanced cleaning arrangements
 - Where necessary, wear appropriate PPE – staff will not be wearing face coverings in school unless there are additional factors in specific cases
 - Contact the local health protection team if there is a positive case of coronavirus in school and follow their guidance. The health protection team will provide definitive advice on who must be sent home.
- **Prepare your child for coming back to school**
 - Take time to read through the 'Ideas for parents/carers to support children's transition back to school' document on the 'Returning After Closure' tab of the school website, where there are lots of helpful ideas. [Click Here](#)
 - Get school uniform ready and make sure they have everything they need e.g. lunch, water bottle, coat, plimsolls or trainers and full PE kit [Click here](#)
 - Read through the transition book with your child which can be found on the school website. If your child is going into Year 2, look at the Year 2 page of the school website. [Click here](#) then select your child's phase/key stage and then relevant year group.
 - Have a look at the helpful resources on the school website – in the “Pupils” tab – ‘Useful Home Learning Links & Resources’ – then ‘Wellbeing – Parent & Carer Support’ tab found on the right on a desktop; at the bottom of the page on a phone: [Click here](#)
 - Familiarise yourself with the route into school before arriving (see the map below). Talk it through with your child and make it a fun activity to follow the map!
- **Maintain 2m social distancing from other parents/carers, staff and children**
 - Use the correct gate to enter/leave the premises
 - Keep out of the bike shed (if at all possible)
 - Follow the one way system (as marked / signposted)
 - Follow any other signs/instructions
 - Do not sit on or touch the picnic benches etc. unless physically necessary
 - Don't come to school too early/late and leave as soon as you can, look out for your child so that collection is as quick as possible – **do not congregate on school grounds**. See below for your child's drop off and pick up times
 - Children must stay with the parent/carer at all times before drop off/after pick up
 - If you need to speak to a teacher call/email the office as conversations cannot take place on the playground
- **DO NOT ENTER THE BUILDING – INCLUDING THE FOYER / OFFICE**
 - Ring or email the office, do not enter the school foyer or any other part of the building
 - Parents/carers should only use school toilets in an emergency
 - Do speak to a member of staff on gate duty (from 2m)
 - Use the drop off box outside the foyer for paperwork/forgotten items needed by pupils during the day
 - If your child requires medicine please ring the office for more information
 - Parents/carers can only enter the school building if they have an appointment, in this case they must first sanitise their hands and wear a face covering (in line with our visitor policy). Online/telephone meetings can be arranged as an alternative

- **Complete Survey promptly when it is sent out** (week beginning 7th September).
 - The sooner we have updated information about critical workers the better
 - We are also collecting information about your child's access to online learning
- **Book up Octopus Breakfast Club and Starfish After School Clubs**
 - Don't forget this half term will only be on sale until Thursday 10th September
 - We may have to prioritise certain critical workers if demand is too high
- **SMILE and ask questions**
 - We appreciate you may have many questions about all these arrangements. Please email the school office with any queries.
 - *Although we have many protective measures in place, remember to **SMILE**: We had over 250 happy and settled children in per day prior to the summer holidays with attendance for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 at around 95%. We are really looking forward to welcoming everyone back next week!*

Further information

Organisation

Class Bubbles

During the summer term, each 'bubble' included up to 15 children, from the Autumn term each class 'bubble' can be around 30 children i.e. one class, and we have been advised to keep children in class or year group bubbles.

On each year group page on the website there are details about your child's new class e.g. where the classroom is, the name of the teacher and teaching assistants who will be working in that class etc. For those classes who have two teachers over the week, there is a separate document which shows who is in on which days. We hope this will help you familiarise your child(ren) with their new class ready for September. [Click Here](#)

As much as possible, children (and staff) will stay in their own class or year group 'bubble' including playtimes and lunchtimes which may be staggered. Desks have been arranged with desks facing forward.

We have sanitiser as well as soap on site, children should not bring in their own hand sanitiser.

Staff will maintain distance from pupils (where possible) and other staff, and parents/carers and other visitors.

Drop off and Pick Up – overview

Essentially, children will arrive at school, within different time slots, and go to their classroom – via an external door if possible. See below for plan showing updated one-way system and location of classrooms.

The start of the school day will be staggered. **Most classes will be split alphabetically by surname** so that children arrive/leave at slightly different times.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have been divided into three groups. Children with surnames beginning with A-D will be dropped off/picked up first, followed by those with surnames beginning with E-M and then N-Z.

Years 3-5 have been split into two groups: A-M and N-Z. They too should be dropped off/picked up in alphabetical order. Year 6 are split by class rather than alphabetically.

This means that there will be less waiting time for families with more than one child and, it will be less busy and calmer for each class bubble. We will monitor how this works and change if necessary!

- We would strongly encourage parents and carers to walk / cycle / scoot to school.
- Parents and carers will need to drop off their child at different times than normal in order to ease congestion. This is being organised alphabetically to make it easier for parents and carers.
- Only ONE parent or carer should bring children to come onto the school premises to ease congestion
- **PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE EARLY.**
- Everyone must follow the one way system and signs.
- Adults must respect social distancing with others including all children, staff and parents/carers.
- Staff will be present to ensure that these new arrangements run smoothly. Do approach staff on the playground but maintain social distancing (private and longer conversations are better via phone/email).
- Parents and carers MUST not enter the school building. They should keep 2m from external doors.
- Parents and carers should not try and pass on messages to staff in classrooms. Please email the school office instead.
- Staff will not take children who refuse to come in or are upset/distressed. Parents/carers are welcome to walk around the one way system and try again when their child has calmed down.
- **PLEASE LEAVE STRAIGHT AWAY AFTER DROP OFF / PICK UP.**

For actual times, please see grid below. Please note that these arrangements are subject to change as we adapt our procedures to ensure they work effectively.

Pick Up and Drop off Times

Children should be dropped off/picked up in alphabetical order as indicated below:

Class / Group	Drop off time	Pick up time	Further information
Octopus Breakfast Club	Between 8.00 & 8.20 am only	n/a	Drop off via Rainbow Room door at rear of staff carpark. Parents and carer should not use the staff car park. See notes above.
Little Fishes -	9.00-9.30am or 11.45-50am	11.45am or 3.00pm	For drop off and pick up , parents and carers to enter via main pedestrian gate, leave scooters/bikes in bike shelter and follow 'LF' arrows to Spotty or Stripy external door. Please note that it is not possible to get into the bike shed at lunchtime.
Reception A-D	8.40am	2.55pm	For drop off , parents and carers to enter via main pedestrian gate, leave scooters/bikes in bike shelter and follow 'YR' arrows, through little wooden gate, drop off children, go through far wooden gate and follow arrows / one-way system to exit school via the side gate near the foyer entrance. (Staff will show you!) Pick up will be the same as above.
Reception E-M	8.45am	3.00pm	
Reception N-Z	8.50am	3.05pm	
Years 1 & 2 A-D	8.45am	3.00pm	For drop off , parents s and carers to enter via main pedestrian gate, leave scooters/bikes in bike shelter and follow '1/2' arrows across field to external classroom doors, drop off children and then follow arrows / one-way system to exit the school via the side gate near the foyer entrance. (Staff will show you!) We hope to have at least a temporary rubber matting path on the grass.
Years 1 & 2 E-M	8.50am	3.05pm	
Years 1 & 2 N-Z	8.55am	3.10pm	
Year 3 A-M	8.40am	3.00pm	For drop off , parents and carers to enter via main pedestrian gate, leave scooters/bikes in bike shelter and follow '3/4' arrows across field around the 'Castle' to external door of Ark (by Noah Ark Mural), drop off children and then follow arrows / one-way system to exit school We hope to have at a temporary rubber matting path on the grass. At pick up , the class teacher will bring the first two groups (A-H and I-O) to their meeting point. The TA will then bring down the third group (P-Z) a few minutes later. The meeting/pick up points are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seals: On Hexagon - Sea Lions: By Castle Fence - Sea Otters: By Tube - Seahorse: By Lookout Tower
Year 3 N-Z	8.45am	3.05pm	
Year 4 A-M	8.50am	3.10pm	
Year 4 N-Z	8.55am	3.15pm	
Year 5 A-M	8.45am	3.05pm	For drop off , parents & carers to enter via main pedestrian gate, leave scooters/bikes in bike shelter and follow 'Y5' arrows to external door of Main Hall, drop off children and then follow arrows / one-way system to exit school At pick up , the class teacher will bring the first two groups (A-H and I-O) on to Cherry Tree Playground outside the Main Hall. The TA will then bring the third group (P-Z) along a few minutes later.
Year 5 N-Z	8.50am	3.10pm	
Year 6 Coral	8.40am	3.10pm	Parents and carers to leave children at main gates (unless they come on their own!) Year 6 to enter via the car park and walk bikes/scooters past the Rainbow Room and then via the back wooden gate. At home time they should either have permission to go home on their own, or be met at the main school gate.
Year 6 Oyster	8.50am	3.20pm	
Starfish After School Club	n/a	4.00-5.30 pm only*	Parents and carer should walk through car park and pick up children from the rear external Rainbow Room door. Parents and carer should not drive into the staff car park. *Except Fridays when there is no club

Staff and Volunteers

Staff

Children will largely stay with the same member of staff most of the week and be limited to how much they mix with other year groups. They will also largely remain in the same part of the building. Typically, each class bubble will have two members of staff e.g. one teacher and one teaching assistant (TA). Staff are now permitted to work across the school but maintaining social distancing.

Volunteers

The DfE state that 'Volunteers may be used to support the work of the school, as would usually be the case. It is important that they are properly supported and given appropriate roles... Mixing of volunteers across groups should be kept to a minimum, and they should remain 2 metres from pupils and staff where possible.'

The school will review when and where volunteers can come back into school when appropriate risk assessments and training have been undertaken. This will not take place until after the first few of weeks of term- we will update parents through the parent bulletin.

Octopus Club (Breakfast Club) and Starfish Club (After School Club)

The DfE is encouraging schools to restart child care clubs but recognises that running breakfast and after school clubs will be 'logistically challenging for schools, particularly for clubs that would normally offer support across year groups, where parents are using multiple providers, or where childminders are picking up/dropping off pupils. Schools should carefully consider how they can make such provision work alongside their wider protective measures, including keeping children within their year groups or bubbles where possible. If it is not possible to maintain bubbles being used during the school day then schools should use small, consistent groups.'

From September:

- Extended child care provision will run for children in Reception to Year 6.
- It will be based in the Rainbow Room but children will be assigned to other areas in the school
 - For Breakfast Club, children will have their own Year Group bubble table in the main hall
 - For After School Club, children will be based in designated areas (tbc) e.g.
 - Reception, Year 1 and 2 – In the Main Hall
 - Year 3 and 4 – In the Small Hall
 - Year 5 and 6 – In library/shared area / IT suite
- Regrettably, we are not able to offer Little Octopus and Little Starfish clubs until further notice.
- Clubs are booked on a first come first served basis but at present we reserve the right to cancel your booking with a full refund if the place is required for a vulnerable child or for children of critical workers.
- Clubs are not available to book on an ad hoc basis, this is to ensure we can continue to keep children in year group bubbles during this time – this is not manageable if numbers in year groups fluctuate greatly. Please only book for regular days e.g. every Monday in Starfish Club.
- Once bookings are made, four weeks' notice must be given for cancellation. We are making this substantial increase in the cancellation period as the number of changes taking place prior to lockdown was becoming unmanageable. The longer cancellation period is in line with other providers.
- All bookings for the first half of the Autumn Term must be made by the end of Thursday 10th September and sessions will not be available to book after this date.
- Sessions for the first half of the Autumn Term are available to book via the Bookings menu on sQuid. Please make bookings promptly to avoid disappointment.
- **We strongly recommend that Critical Workers who need child care should ensure they book up promptly.**

ACTIONS:

- a) Parents and carers **MUST** book in via sQuid by the end of Thursday 10th September (but we recommend doing it ASAP!).
- b) Only drop off between 8.00am and 8.20am (to avoid congestion when Year 6 arrive).
- c) Parents should access the Rainbow Room by following the one way system through the staff car park (on the right side of the hedge within the coned area).
- d) Only pick up after 4pm (to avoid end of normal school day congestion).
- e) Children must be picked up before 5.30pm or risk being fined – to cover staffing overtime costs.
- f) Parents must not enter the building – please wait outside the Rainbow Room door and ring if necessary.
- g) Parents and carers should not drive into the staff car park.

Clubs

We will share more information about what clubs (other than Octopus and Starfish clubs) we are able to offer (or not) this term in the parent bulletins over the next few weeks.

Wednesday Afternoons

The school will be open on Wednesday afternoons. This is because teachers can 'float' between class bubbles.

Play and Lunch Time

Play time and lunchtimes will be slightly staggered in order to reduce contact between different groups of children. They will largely remain in their class and year group 'bubble' and stay with their own Teacher or TA where possible.

We will continue to use both the main and small hall for dining to provide more space. Children with packed lunches and those having hot meals will eat in their class bubble with their year group in one of the halls. Nursery children will continue to have their lunch in the nursery. Year 6 will eat their lunches by the pond and/or their bubble classrooms depending on the weather. Class bubbles will have set tables and areas of the playground. Many of the new routines that we have already established for lunchtimes will remain in place to maintain a calm environment.

Shielding

Shielding advice for all adults and children paused on 1 August, subject to a continued decline in the rates of community transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19). This now means that even the small number of pupils who will remain on the shielded patient list can also return to school, as can those who have family members who are shielding. Read the current advice on shielding. If you have any questions about shielding, please be in touch with the school.

Attendance

It is vital for all children to return to school to minimise the longer-term impact of the pandemic on your child's education, wellbeing and wider development. Attendance is now compulsory unless agreed otherwise with the school. Non-attendance could lead to a fixed penalty notice (FPN) being issued – the school is required to rigorously follow up non-attendance. However, this is not the route we want to go down. If you have concerns about your child attending school, please be in touch, so that we can work together.

If your child is unable to attend e.g. in case of illness, please inform the school office in the usual way so that we don't have to chase up the reason for absence.

Uniform

All pupils (except nursery) are now expected to wear normal school uniform from September. If you have challenges about this, please email the office. Standards of uniform have slipped (understandably) over the last few months but please make every effort to adhere to our school uniform policy from September. In particular please note:

- Hair should not be dyed.
- Long hair should be tied back and accessories should be in school colours.
- No hair braids
- No nail varnish or temporary tattoos
- School shoes – not trainers.

For more information visit [School Uniform - Click here](#)

IMPORTANT: Children should have a jumper every day. Windows and doors will be open in school to ensure good ventilation but this can make children feel cold. Children must also have a coat so that they can play and work outside.

The DfE states that 'uniforms do not need to be cleaned any more often than usual, nor do they need to be cleaned using methods which are different from normal'.

Face Coverings

The government has decided that based on current evidence and the measures that schools are already putting in place, such as the system of controls and consistent bubbles, face coverings are not required in primary schools.

Parents/carers need to ensure the safe wearing of face coverings for their children if they are wearing them on the way to school. This requires cleaning of hands before and after touching – including to remove or put them on – and

the safe storage of them in individual, sealable plastic bags between use. Where a face covering becomes damp, it should not be worn and the face covering should be replaced carefully. Children must be instructed not to touch the front of their face covering during use or when removing it and they must dispose of it on arriving at school or place reusable face coverings in a plastic bag they can take home with them, and then wash their hands again before heading to their classroom.

Used PPE and any disposable face coverings that staff or children (and possibly visitors) arrive wearing should be placed in a refuse bag and can be disposed of as normal domestic waste unless the wearer has symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), in line with the [guidance on cleaning for non-healthcare settings](#). There is a bin on the playground (for children up to and including Year 5) and outside the foyer (for adults and year 6) for this purpose.

Bubble Rules

Our 'Bubble Rules', which children must follow to keep us safe, remain in place.

Collective Worship

Unfortunately we will not be able to have whole school or key stage assemblies. We will have a weekly YouTube 'Awesome Assembly' and make use of assemblies produced by others such as Sutton Schools Work. We will also stream some internal 'broadcasts' and organise class assemblies led by class teachers.

It doesn't look like we will be able to have our normal class showcases. Instead, each class will record a simple message and prayer which we will share with parents and carers.

Rooms and Equipment

Use of communal play equipment and specialist rooms (e.g. the IT Suite) will be carefully timetabled. It may be that some rooms are only used by certain children or year groups and additional cleaning may be required.

Risk Assessments

The school has updated our guidance for staff and risk assessments which will be uploaded to our website in due course and once our staff training is complete. We will also update this information for parents and carers too – this is all part of our risk assessment.

Suspected and Confirmed Cases of Coronavirus

What to do if your child develops coronavirus symptoms whilst at home?

- Children (and adults) who develop any of the symptoms of coronavirus shown below must NOT come into school, even if you think these symptoms are due to other conditions. They must stay at home and follow '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus infection](#)' which sets out that they should self-isolate for at least 10 days and should arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus.
 - i. high temperature (38+)
 - ii. a new and persistent cough
 - iii. loss or change in their normal sense of taste or smell
- Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms.
- We ask all parents/carers to please act with absolute integrity in this matter. We have a strict procedure to follow to reduce the risk of infection to others. Please support us with these procedures to ensure the safety of the whole community.
- Keep the school informed of the details and precise dates when symptoms of the child or other member of the household appear.
- Contrary to an earlier letter, if we have a suspected case of coronavirus we will not be advising parents/carers. We will only advise parents/carers if there is a confirmed case of coronavirus in school. If anyone has been in contact with a suspected case in an educational setting, no restrictions or special control measures are required while laboratory test results are awaited, unless otherwise advised by health professionals.

What happens if your child develops symptoms whilst in school?

- If your child becomes unwell with coronavirus symptoms during school time, we will contact you immediately and you must collect them urgently. They must stay at home and follow '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus infection](#)' which sets out that they should self-isolate for at least 10 days and should arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus.

The coronavirus test

- All children can be tested, including children under 5, but children aged 11 and under will need to be helped by their parents/carers if using a home testing kit. Click here for more information [coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested](#)

If a person with symptoms tests negative and if they feel well and no longer have symptoms similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), **then** they can stop self-isolating. They could still have another virus, such as a cold or flu – in which case it is still best to avoid contact with other people until they are better.
Other members of their household can stop self-isolating.

If a person with symptoms tests positive, **then** they should follow the '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)' and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms and then return to school only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste - this is because a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone. If they still have a high temperature, they should keep self-isolating until their temperature returns to normal.
Other members of their household should continue self-isolating for the full 14 days.

What happens if your child is sent home to self-isolate?

- Based on the advice from the health protection team, schools must send home those people who have been in close contact with anyone who has tested positive to self-isolate for 14 days.
- **If** a person has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive and is sent home to self-isolate for 14 days, **then** *their household* does not need to self-isolate, unless the person who is self-isolating subsequently develops symptoms.
- **If** a person who has been in contact with someone who has tested positive subsequently *develops symptoms themselves* within their 14-day isolation period, **then** they should follow the '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)'- stay at home and get a test.

If the test delivers a *negative result*, **then** they must remain in isolation for the remainder of the 14-day isolation period. This is because they could still develop the coronavirus (COVID-19) within the remaining days.
Other members of their household can stop self-isolating if they do not have symptoms.

If the test delivers a *positive result*, **then** they (or their parent in the case of a child) should inform the school immediately and should isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms (which could mean the self-isolation ends before or after the original 14-day isolation period).
Other members of their household should self-isolate for at least 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms, follow the '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)'

