



Queen Mary's Grammar School

Covid-19 related pupil absence

A quick reference guide for parents and staff (September 2021)

Child in this guidance means a student less than 18 years and 6 months, sixth-formers older than this should consult government guidance for variations in exemption rules.

- NHS Notifications must be emailed to enquiries@qmg.walsall.sch.uk
- Following a positive PCR students are exempt from LFT/PCR testing for 90 days and **MUST NOT** take further tests unless they develop new symptoms during this time – in which case they should be retested immediately using PCR

No.	What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
1.	<p>...my child has Covid-19 symptoms.</p> <p><i>Temperature or hot to touch</i> <i>New continuous cough</i> <i>Loss of taste</i> <i>Loss of smell</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school - Contact school to inform us - Get a PCR test - Contact the school immediately about the test result on: enquiries@qmg.walsall.sch.uk or 01922 720696 	<p>...the PCR test comes back negative or a period of 10 days self-isolation has been observed following a positive test</p> <p>AND the child feels well.</p>
2.	<p>...my child tests positive for Covid-19 using a LFD.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Get a PCR test - Contact school to inform us on enquiries@qmg.walsall.sch.uk or 01922 720696 - let us have a copy of the NHS notification 	<p>...the PCR test comes back negative or a period of 10 days self-isolation has been observed following a positive test</p> <p>AND the child feels well.</p>
3.	<p>...my child tests positive for Covid-19 using a PCR.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us on enquiries@qmg.walsall.sch.uk or 01922 720696 	<p>...a period of 10 days self-isolation has been observed</p> <p>AND the child feels well.</p>
4.	<p>...my child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Contact school on each day of illness. 	<p>...after 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea</p> <p>AND the child feels well.</p>

	...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The child can still come to school - Household member with symptoms to get a test. - Monitor all household carefully for symptoms and continue regular LFD testing 	...child can still come to school
5.	...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Seek a PCR test - Contact school to inform us on enquiries@qmg.s.walsall.sch.uk or 01922 720696 	<p>...the PCR test comes back negative or a period of 10 days self-isolation has been observed following a positive test</p> <p>AND the child feels well.</p>
6.	...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19 not in the same household .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The child can still come to school - The child should follow NHS test and trace advice and is likely to be advised to seek a PCR test - Contact school to inform us if the PCR test is positive 	...child can still come to school
7.	...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The household member must follow NHS test and trace instructions - Child can continue to attend school. 	...child can continue to attend school
8.	... a sibling attending another school has been identified as a close contact of a positive case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sibling should follow advice - Child(ren) can continue to attend this setting. 	...child can continue to attend school
9.	... my child has travelled abroad	<p>Seek guidance on the government website for the status of the country they have travelled from</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/red-amber-and-green-list-rules-for-entering-england#green-list-rules</p>	..depending on government advice
10.	...we have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again. 	<p>...school inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again.</p> <p>...you receive medical advice that your child may return to school.</p>