COVID-related pupil/student absence –

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What happens if a close contact at school / college of my child tests positive?

- They can consent to take part in 'serial testing' where they are tested daily for 7 days
- This will enable them to stay in school / college if they test negative
- If you or they do not wish to take part, they will need to self-isolate

What if my child tests negative for COVID-19 in the serial testing?

- There will be no need for them to self-isolate and you can remain in school / college as normal
- Social distancing and face coverings where appropriate will remain necessary

What do I need to do if my child tests positive for COVID-19?

- Do not send your child to school/college
- They will need to take a further 'PCR test' (similar to those done in testing sites) to confirm the positive result, they will be able to do this at school/college or take a test kit home.
- Contact the school / college to inform us of the PCR test result which you will receive via text / email
- Your child will need to self-isolate for a minimum of 10 days according to guidelines.

How does my child testing positive impact the rest of my household?

- Your household will have to self-isolate for 10 days
- Follow the latest government guidance.

When can my child return to school / college after testing positive for COVID-19?

- Your child can stop self-isolating and return to school / college on day 11 if they've not had a high temperature for 48 hours and are well
- They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste/smell as these symptoms can last for several weeks

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What does a positive result mean for my child's education?

We have a strong commitment to ensuring all pupils can access a wide range of learning resources remotely and will continue to support their education whilst they are self-isolating.
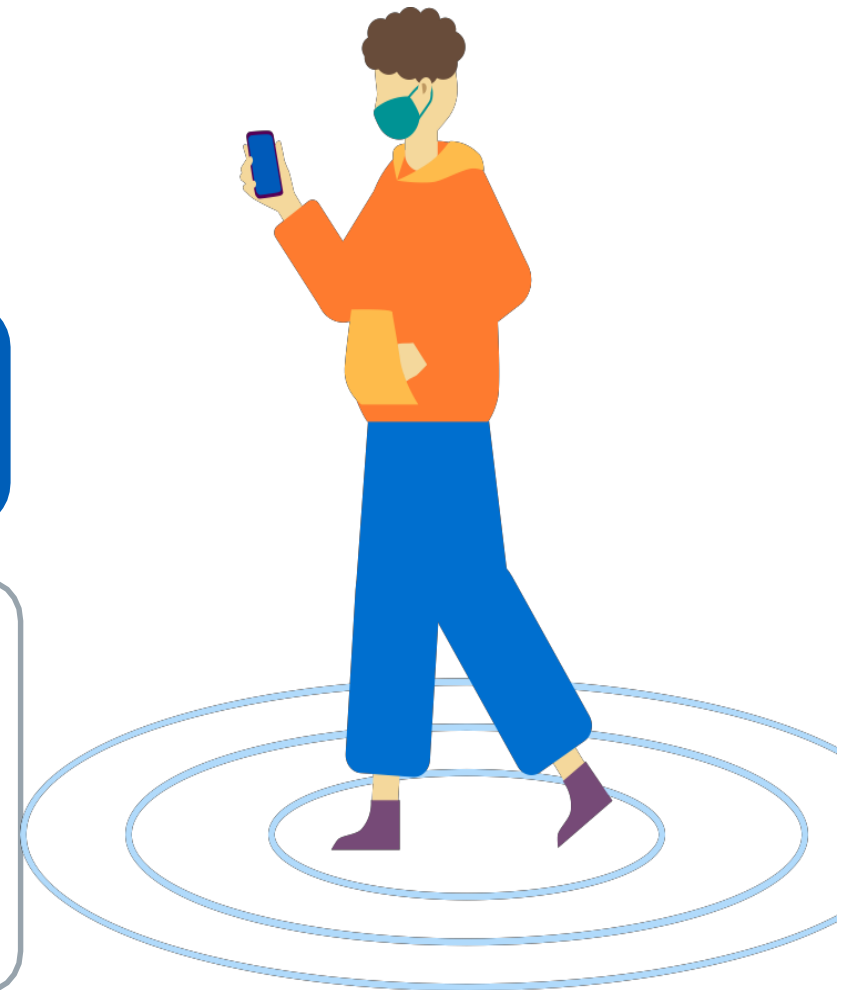
Additional information can be found
https://bit.ly/covidhomelearning

Addressing your concerns

For more information you can visit:
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If you're worried about your child medically, visit https://www.nhs.uk/ or call 111.

To speak to your School Nurse text them on 07507333356

The Suffolk County Council Covid-19 web page with further information can be found here
https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/