

# School Illness Flowchart

Would you have kept your child off school before COVID?

Yes

Keep your child off school

No

Do they have at least one of the following symptoms:

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to their sense of smell or taste

Yes

Keep your child off school and at home (and siblings)

Speak to 119 or go to the [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/coronavirus) and arrange for a self-test to be done.

Your child and your household must self-isolate until you have the result of this test.

No

Does your child have an underlying chronic medical condition such as:

- Cystic fibrosis
- Immunodeficiency/immunosuppression
- Recipient of solid organ transplant
- Taking long-term steroids taken in tablet form (not including inhaler)
- Any heart problems requiring input from paediatric cardiologist
- Any blood disorders such as sickle cell disease or thalassaemia
- Neurological issues such as myotonic dystrophy, mitochondrial disorders leading to difficulties swallowing

For a full list of vulnerable conditions visit:

<https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/resources/covid-19-shielding-guidance-children-young-people>

Yes

Seek advice from your child's specialist health team

No

Children and young people who are otherwise well with:

- Runny noses
- Sore throats without a fever
- Mild colds

Can go to school **AS NORMAL**