**A QUICK GUIDE TO CORONAVIRUS RELATED ABSENCES FOR PARENTS**

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| **What to do if ….** | **Action needed** | **Return to school when ….** |
| **My child has Coronavirus symptoms.** | **Contact PHA**  **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL.**  **Contact school daily**  **Self-isolate**  **Get a test**  **Inform school immediately about test result** | **The test comes back negative and they are fever free for 48 hours.** |
| **My child tests positive for Coronavirus.** | **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL**  **Inform the school immediately about the test result**  **Contact school daily**  **Self-isolate for at least 10 days** | **They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of taste or smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once infection is gone. If they continue to have a high temperature they should stay at home.** |
| **Somebody in my household has Coronavirus symptoms.** | **Contact PHA**  **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL for 16 days**  **Contact school daily**  **Household member to get a test**  **Inform the school immediately about the test result** | **Stay at home for 14 days after the first person in your home started having symptoms.** |
| **Somebody in my household has tested positive with Coronavirus.** | **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL**  **Inform the school immediately about the test result**  **Contact the school daily** | **The child has completed 14 days of self-isolation.** |
| **The “Track and Trace” scheme has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms of confirmed Coronavirus.** | **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL**  **Contact school daily**  **Self-isolate for 14 days** | **The child has completed 14 days of self-isolation.** |
| **My child has travelled abroad and has to self-isolate as part of the quarantine process.** | ***Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed***  **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL**  **Contact school daily**  **Self-isolate for 14 days**  **Provide information to the school as per attendance policy** | **When the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.** |
| **Staff or pupil in my child’s bubble have tested positive.**  **A letter would be issued** | **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL**  **Inform the school**  **Everyone in the bubble must self-isolate and take a test.** | **When a negative test is confirmed or the necessary isolation period has been completed.** |

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