

**COVID-19  
HASN'T  
GONE  
AWAY**

# Covid-19 testing guidance for children in Year 7 and above



**(Day 1) Showing symptoms OR  
positive home test (lateral flow test)**

**Keep the child at home & tell their  
school/setting.**

**Get a confirmatory PCR test. Call  
119 or book a test online at  
[www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test](http://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test)**

**Positive result**

**Day (1-10) Continue self-isolating for  
10 days from first day of symptoms.**

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If you live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, you must stay at home and self-isolate, unless you are fully vaccinated or aged under 18 years and 6 months.

If they have been identified as a suspected or confirmed case of the Omicron variant of COVID-19, you are required to self-isolate.

**Return to school/setting if child is well**

## COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

- a **high temperature** – this means they are hot to touch on their chest or back
- a **new continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot more for an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a **loss or change to sense of smell or taste** – this means you have noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

**Negative result**

**Return to school/  
setting if child is  
well**

For pupils in Year 7 and above, staff and parents/carers, lateral flow tests should be used at least twice a week (if you don't have symptoms) to avoid people who don't have symptoms unknowingly spreading the virus

**KEEP  
SURREY  
SAFE**