

What happens if there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 in our Primary School or Early years setting?

Did the positive child /staff member attend school during the infectious period: 2 days before symptom onset (or test date if asymptomatic) to 10 days after?

NO – no further action required by school beyond supporting student(s) as necessary during self-isolation

YES – setting carries out an on-site risk assessment using checklist

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- Case should already be isolating at home. They should remain in isolation until 10 days have passed from symptom onset.
- The case's household (including siblings that attend other settings) should isolate for 10 days

The school/nursery carries out on-site risk assessment to identify potential contacts during this period at:



- Large/small group sessions



- Additional on-site/ academic activities e.g. clubs/societies



- Events and trips

To identify contacts, use the risk assessment checklist, and:



- Attendance records, Seating plans and charts (if available).



- Speak to child/parent (as necessary)

- Contacts are informed to self-isolate for 10 days from date of last contact with template letters from parents and staff (appendix D)

- The wider school is sent an inform and advise letter (appendix C)

Who is a direct contact?



Direct close contacts:

- Direct face-to-face e.g. being coughed on or spoken to contact for any length of time OR within <1 metre for ≥ 1 minute.



Proximity contacts:

- <2 m for 15 minutes.



Travel contacts:

- Shared a small vehicle

If any of the following criteria are met, contact the **SE HPT**

- ≥ 10% of a bubble is affected within 14 days
 - ≥ 10% of staff are affected within 14 days
 - ≥ 3 bubbles are affected
 - There have been any hospitalisations
 - Your school is a **SEND school**
 - 2 or more boarders/staff in a residential setting
- AND you have **NOT** discussed this situation with the HPT within the last 14 days

If you need advice or support you can access the **government schools guidance online** or contact the DfE helpline on **0800 046 8687**