### Identification

Child displays symptoms: **Persistent** cough High temperature/fever Loss of taste or smell

## **Isolation**

Child remains in designated room until parent is able to collect. Parent is informed that child must go for testing and anyone else in the household must self isolate.

Staff/ child sent for testing. The remainder of bubble continue to attend school until the test result is returned

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Test returns positive

Test returns negative

Child/ adult returns to school or when well enough to do so

Child /staff to isolate for 10 days

Family members for 14 days

#### **POSITIVE RESULT**

Child's 'bubble' leader is informed

Bubble to remain in their space within the school

All parents contacted and informed there has been a positive result in their 'bubble' and they must collect their child immediately and their child must isolate for fourteen days. The remainder of the family do not need to isolate unless symptoms are shown.

School to liaise with Public Health and follow guidance from the NHS and Test and Trace.

\*DfE guidance: Implementing protective measures in education. The remainder of the bubble stay in school unless a positive result is returned.

# **RETURN**

After fourteen days from the first symptoms, children and staff from the bubble can return to school.

#### **School Procedures**

- 1. If a child displays symptoms such as high temperature, continuous cough etc. the child will be sent home.
- 2. Any other child that is attending our school from that household will be sent home to self-isolate with the rest of their household.
- 3. We will ask the parents to get the child tested.

If there is a negative result the child can return to school provided they are well enough to do so. Any other children living in the same household (as long as they are not displaying symptoms) will be able to come back in to school.

If there is a positive result we will ask everyone on that person's contact list to self isolate for 2 weeks\* (other members those children's household would not need to self-isolate as they would not have had direct contact with the infected child).

If the other children in the infected child's household do not have symptoms they will be allowed back into school after 2 weeks self-isolation. We will not shut down their bubbles as the children in those bubbles will not have had direct contact with the infected child.

If a parent refuses to get their child tested, then the child showing symptoms will have to be off for 10 days minimum and will not be allowed back in school until all their symptoms go. Everyone else in that household will have to self-isolate for 2 weeks. If anyone in that household develops symptoms they will have to self-isolate for a further 10 days, from the point they develop symptoms.

We will not shut bubbles down for a child (or adult) just displaying symptoms as they are very common and we could find ourselves often shutting down bubbles. However if we see children in the same bubble displaying covid symptoms we will contact Public Health England and ask for advice. Symptomatic children (and their siblings) will be asked to self-isolate as mentioned above. The guidance from the DFE says that bubbles should only be shut down with a positive test not a someone just displaying symptoms. As you can see quick testing is beneficial to all.

If we have more than one case of Covid in the school then we will need to contact Public health England and get advice.

If anyone in your household has symptoms the whole household and any attached bubble need to self-isolate.

You cannot leave the home for any other reason that a test and the symptomatic person needs a negative test result for the household/bubble to come out of self-isolation.

<sup>\*</sup>We will not inform parents who has tested positive, or indeed whether it is a child or an adult in the bubble.