

Remember: Staff and students cannot attend school if they are showing any symptoms of COVID-19 .

If symptoms occur at any time, your child should not attend school and should undertake a rapid antigen test (RAT).

Students and staff can use their allocation of RATs at their discretion such as if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms. Beyond the departmental provision of RATs, symptomatic students and staff should continue to access PCR and store-purchased RATs.

- If a student is unwell and has any COVID-19 symptoms, they should always test for COVID-19.
- If the test comes back negative for COVID-19, the student should still not return to school until either:
 - The student no longer has any symptoms, or
 - A medical certificate is provided to the school confirming that symptoms are explained by another diagnosis (such as hay fever)
- It is important that students do not attend school if they are unwell, even if they have tested negative for COVID-19. Rapid antigen tests can produce false negative results and symptoms of other illnesses can also be similar to COVID-19, including flu, the common cold and stomach bugs.

Health advice is that students who are sick should always stay home to rest and recover and avoid putting other students and staff at risk of getting sick.