

Fierté Multi Academy Trust



Ankermoor Primary Academy

Suspected Covid 19 Case

Isolating - Step 1

If a child or staff member presents with COVID-19 symptoms (fever/ persistent cough), the person should be sent home as soon as possible. In the case of a child awaiting collection, they will be isolated in the headteacher's office with the window left open. Their temperature will be taken using an infrared thermometer. If the child is young and needs an adult to care for them, the adult should wear a mask, gloves, apron and eye protection (if required). If the child has to go to the toilet, nobody should then use this toilet until it has been cleaned. Staff who have looked after the child do not need to go home unless they are displaying symptoms. They should wash their hands thoroughly and dispose of the PPE they have worn. When a child, young person or staff member develops symptoms compatible with Coronavirus, they should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 7 days. Their fellow household members should self-isolate for 14 days.

Testing - Step 2

Test should be carried out in the first 4 days of symptoms. All staff and students who are attending an education or childcare setting will have access to a test if they display symptoms of Coronavirus. For staff members a test is requested by emailing covid19workforce@northstaffs.nhs.uk.

For pupils and their families, they should call 111 to arrange testing.

Outcome of testing - Step 3

- a) If a child or staff member tests positive, the staff member working with the group and the group need to be sent home and to self-isolate for 14 days. Other family members do not need to isolate unless the person or staff member they live with develops symptoms.
- b) For staff or pupils who test negative, the test is negative but that does not mean that they do not have Coronavirus. They should continue to look after themselves at home with regular fluids and painkillers as required and contact 111 if their condition deteriorates. They can return to work/school following the 7 day self-isolation period AND when 2 days free of fever. They should return to self-isolation immediately if they are feeling worse and inform the school.

Further investigation if required

As part of the national test and trace system (once in place), if other cases are detected within the child or young person's cohort or in the wider education or childcare setting, Public Health England's local Health Protection Teams will conduct a rapid investigation and will advise schools and other settings on the most appropriate action to take. In some cases, a larger number of other children and young people may be asked to self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure perhaps the whole class, site or year group.



