

**COVID-19  
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AWAY**

# Covid-19 testing guidance for children in Year 6 and below



**(Day 1) Showing symptoms**

**Keep the child at home & tell their early years/primary 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 early years/primary setting if child is well**

*Lateral flow tests generally shouldn't be used for children in Year 6 and below (unless advised in an outbreak). Do not use lateral flow tests on anyone displaying symptoms.*

#### **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 early years/primary setting if child is well (note: you should still make a decision as normal about whether your child is well enough to return)**