



# Dashwood Banbury Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are writing to inform you that the school has COVID-19 cases in a number of year groups this week.

The setting remains open, and your child should continue to attend as normal if they remain well. All pupils and staff, regardless of year group, should remain vigilant regarding COVID-19.

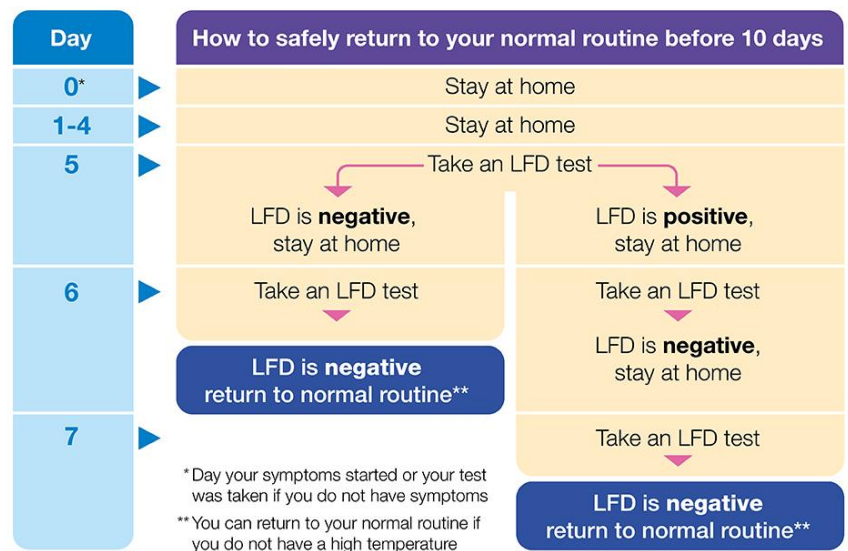
## What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) or tests positive for COVID-19

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a new, continuous cough, or a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). We also know that many younger children present with cold like symptoms, sickness and/or an upset tummy.

If your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), they should get a PCR test via [Get a free PCR test to check if you have coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk) or by calling 119 and remain at home at least until the result is known. **If the test is positive, stay at home** and follow the guidance [COVID-19: people with COVID-19 and their contacts - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk) and inform the school of the result. This picture/flow chart helps explain what you need to do in these cases:

More information on symptoms is available: [Main symptoms of coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk). If you are concerned about your child's symptoms, or they are worsening you can seek advice from NHS 111 at <https://111.nhs.uk/> or by phoning 111.

If your child has a **positive LFD** test please report this test [Report a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test result - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk). They should **stay at home** and follow the guidance on this flow chart too which is also explained at: [COVID-19: people with COVID-19 and their contacts - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk). **A confirmatory PCR test is not required.**



## How to stop coronavirus (COVID-19) spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with coronavirus (COVID-19): [Coronavirus: how to stay safe and help prevent the spread - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)



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- Get vaccinated – everyone aged 12 and over are eligible – see [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) vaccination - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus/coronavirus-vaccination) for more details and how to book.
- Wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze and put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- Meet people outside and avoid crowded areas
- Open doors and windows to let in fresh air if meeting people inside
- Wear a face covering when it's hard to stay away from other people – particularly indoors or in crowded places

If you have any queries or need to talk to one of our team, please call the school office or email the office and someone will get back to you.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "AERogers". The signature is written in a cursive style with a capital 'A' and 'R'.

**Mrs Amy Rogers**  
**Principal**