

**Close contacts and self-isolation**

Category of individual	<b><u>Non- household contact</u></b> Testing/Self-isolation requirements	<b><u>Household contact</u></b> Testing/Self-isolation requirements
<p><b>Aged between 5 and 17</b>  no symptoms</p>	<p>PCR test on day 2 and day 8.</p> <p>Continue to attend school.</p> <p>Remain vigilant for new symptoms, and try to avoid contact with vulnerable family and friends in the short-term (e.g. elderly relatives or those who are higher risk of severe COVID-19 infection).</p> <p>Isolate if symptoms develop.</p>	<p>Self-isolate.</p> <p>Take a PCR test.</p> <p>Return to school is possible once a negative PCR test is received.</p> <p>(Day 8 PCR tests no longer required for this group).</p> <p>Secondary school aged pupils to also undertake LFTs for 7 days.</p> <p>Remain vigilant for new symptoms, and try to avoid contact with vulnerable family and friends in the short-term (e.g. elderly relatives or those who are higher risk of severe COVID-19 infection).</p>
<p><b>Aged 18+</b>  fully vaccinated  no symptoms</p>	<p>PCR test on day 2 and day 8.</p> <p>Continue to attend school.</p> <p>Remain vigilant for new symptoms, and try to avoid contact with vulnerable family and friends in the short-term (e.g. elderly relatives or those who are higher risk of severe COVID-19 infection).</p> <p>Isolate if symptoms develop.</p>	<p>Self-isolate.</p> <p>Take a PCR test.</p> <p>Return to school is possible once a negative PCR test is received.</p> <p>(Day 8 PCR tests no longer required for this group).</p> <p>Remain vigilant for new symptoms, and try to avoid contact with vulnerable family and friends in the short-term (e.g.</p>

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		elderly relatives or those who are higher risk of severe COVID-19 infection).
<b>Aged 18+</b>  <b>unvaccinated</b> or not fully vaccinated (with a period of 14 days having passed since the full vaccination course was completed)	PCR test on day 2 and day 8.  Isolate for 10 days regardless of whether or not you have symptoms.  Continue to isolate for 10 days even if you have a negative PCR test result.	PCR test on day 2 and day 8.  Isolate for 10 days regardless of whether or not you have symptoms.  Continue to isolate for 10 days even if you have a negative PCR test result.
<b>Under 5</b>  no symptoms	No requirement to self-isolate or take a PCR test (unless advised by a doctor or if a parent/carer believes a test is absolutely necessary and in the best interests of a child).	No requirement to self-isolate or take a PCR test (unless advised by a doctor or if a parent/carer believes a test is absolutely necessary and in the best interests of a child).
<b>Working in special educational provision</b> –	Can undertake return to work testing consisting of:  - one PCR test prior to attending work (the result of which must be negative)	Can undertake return to work testing consisting of:  - one PCR test prior to attending work (the result of which must be negative)

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<b>Omicron variant</b>	PCR test on day 2 and day 8. Isolate for 10 days regardless of age or vaccination status. Continue to isolate for 10 days even if you have a negative PCR test result.	PCR test on day 2 and day 8. Isolate for 10 days regardless of age or vaccination status. Continue to isolate for 10 days even if you have a negative PCR test result.

