

Measures for children (and adults) with symptoms (for all ages)

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a) Children (or adults) with symptoms should stay at home and contact their doctor.

- Children or staff with clinical signs should stay at home and contact their doctor.
- A child must stay at home and cannot come to daycare or classes if he/she is sick or shows:

At least **one of the following major symptoms of acute onset, with no other obvious cause:**

- Fever¹
- Coughing
- Breathing difficulties
- Chest pain
- Loss of taste and/or smell without apparent cause

OR

At least **two of the following minor symptoms without any other obvious cause:**

- Muscle pain
- Fatigue
- Rhinitis (congestion or runny nose)
- Sore throat
- Headaches
- Loss of appetite
- Aqueous diarrhea

OR

An aggravation of chronic respiratory symptoms (asthma, chronic cough...), without any other obvious cause.

In case of doubt or questions, contact can always be made with the school nurse yoke.moortgat@eursc.eu or 014 563 140

b) In the event of the appearance of symptom(s) at school

If a pupil develops a symptom while attending school:

- The pupil must be isolated from the others in the dedicated space in the infirmary;
- His/her parents must be contacted (by the Secretary Primary/Secondary) immediately to come and collect him/her;
- The school nurse will regularly ask about the pupil's state of health;
- After the departure of a sick pupil, this space must be ventilated and disinfected;
- Parents should contact the attending doctor who will judge whether a PCR2 test is necessary and whether the child can attend school or not;

- If a test is carried out, the child must remain isolated at least until the result is known in order to avoid any further spread of the virus. Parents must inform the school on following email address: Covid19@esmol.be . If there is a strong suspicion of COVID-19, cohabitants (siblings attending school) should already isolate themselves preventively while waiting for the test result.
- The child will be able to return to school according to the evaluation made by his or her doctor.
- A medical certificate is provided as part of the school's normal procedures.

Measures for teachers with symptoms

- If a teacher has symptoms and meets the COVID-19 possible case definition, he or she should be ruled out and tested.
- As teacher you are not obliged to inform the school in case of a positive test. You do have to inform the school when you are absent. In case of quarantine you must inform the school about the duration of your absence.
- When the school receives the information from the contact tracers that a teacher tested positive:

Consequences for the community in nursery

- The class is considered as high-risk contact (close contact)
- The class must be closed for 10 days.

Consequences for the community in primary and secondary

- The class is considered as high risk contact (close contact)
- There is no test or quarantine, but information must be given to the parents. If this case is in Primary 5 children of the class must wear a mask as precautionary measure for 14 days after the last contact with the subject.
- The extra measure also applies for everyone in the year group bubble.
- Children and adults with whom he has been in contact should be monitored for the possible appearance of symptoms for 14 days.
- Pupils in the class can continue to attend school.