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What to do if a child or member of staff is displaying symptoms of COVID-19

The main symptoms of Coronavirus are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If a child shows symptoms at school:

1. Call the school nurse and/or organise child to be sent to the appropriate isolation room and open a window for ventilation:
 - *Main building - (Years 3 to 13) – Room G13 (between Nurse’s room and School Counsellor’s room);*
 - *Eco Building – Nursery, Reception, Y1, Y2 – Room 3001 (next to Receptionist’s office);*
 - *Little Learners – “Small room”;*
 - *Boarding House – Spare bedroom in the Boarding House.*
2. Call parents/legal guardian to collect child to take them home.
3. Staff caring for a child while they are awaiting collection should maintain 2 metre distancing. If not possible, for example with a young child, they should wear suitable PPE (personal protective equipment):

Situation	PPE
2 m distance cannot be maintained	A face mask should be worn
Contact is necessary	Gloves and face mask should be worn + apron (if appropriate)
Risk of fluids entering the eye (e.g. from coughing, spitting or vomiting)	Eye protection should also be worn

The member of staff caring for a child may be required to change his/her clothes before returning to his/her duty.



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4. If the child needs to go to the bathroom while waiting to be collected, they should use a separate bathroom if possible. The bathroom should be cleaned and disinfected using standard cleaning products before being used by anyone else.
5. Staff/other children who have had contact with the symptomatic child must wash their hands thoroughly for 20 seconds.
6. When parents/legal guardian pick up the child, advise them to get the child to be examined by his/her health care provider and notify you of the results.
7. Once the child has left the premises, thoroughly disinfect/clean all surfaces and contact points they came into contact with (including the bathroom if used).

When can a symptomatic child return to school:

By providing a doctor's note that the child is clear to return to school

Or

By providing a negative ('not detected') PCR test result and not having symptoms for 48 hours

If a member of staff shows symptoms at school:

A member of staff displaying the symptoms will immediately be sent home to isolate and then take a PCR test at the State Hospital in Lefkoşa (Dr. Burhan Nalbantoğlu Devlet Hastanesi).

In the event of a student or a staff member testing positive for COVID-19:

The procedures of the Ministry of Health will be followed.

****If a child exhibits symptoms that mimic those of COVID-19 due to a chronic condition, please submit a Doctor's note to the School Nurse so that your child is not unnecessarily sent home and missing school.***