

Information for parents

Q. My child is a close contact. Do I need to self-isolate with my child?

A. Not always. If your child can isolate independently in their own room (and can ideally access a separate bathroom), does not need hands-on care, then you and others in the house do not need to self-isolate.

If you do not have a separate room for your child then everyone in the house must isolate. If sharing a bathroom, do not use the room at the same time and wipe down surfaces to reduce the risk of transmission.



Q. My child has tested positive for COVID-19. What must I do?

A. If your child tests positive, do not send them to school or day care. Other members of the household become close contacts and must self-isolate.

If you or someone in the household tests positive for COVID-19, then your child becomes a close contact and must not go to school or day care.



Note, the Omicron strain can present with less typical symptoms such as diarrhoea, particularly in children.