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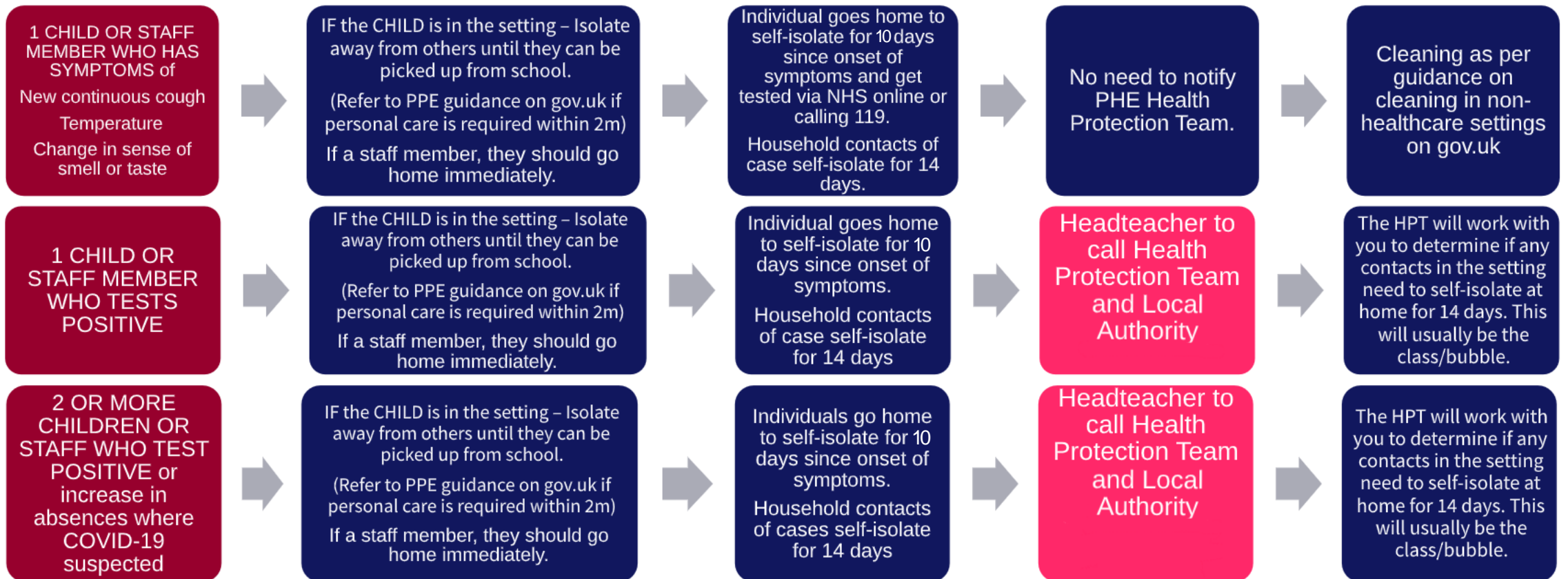# What to do if you have a case of COVID-19 in your school

See your School Pack for more information. Guidance is available at: https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-and-childcare

1 CHILD OR STAFF MEMBER WHO HAS SYMPTOMS of New continuous cough, Temperature, Change in sense of smell or taste	IF the CHILD is in the setting – Isolate away from others until they can be picked up from school. (Refer to PPE guidance on gov.uk if personal care is required within 2m) If a staff member, they should go home immediately.	Individual goes home to self-isolate for 10 days since onset of symptoms and get tested via NHS online or calling 119. Household contacts of case self-isolate for 14 days.	No need to notify PHE Health Protection Team.	Cleaning as per guidance on cleaning in non-healthcare settings on gov.uk
1 CHILD OR STAFF MEMBER WHO TESTS POSITIVE	IF the CHILD is in the setting – Isolate away from others until they can be picked up from school. (Refer to PPE guidance on gov.uk if personal care is required within 2m) If a staff member, they should go home immediately.	Individual goes home to self-isolate for 10 days since onset of symptoms. Household contacts of case self-isolate for 14 days	**Headteacher to call Health Protection Team and Local Authority**	The HPT will work with you to determine if any contacts in the setting need to self-isolate at home for 14 days. This will usually be the class/bubble.
2 OR MORE CHILDREN OR STAFF WHO TEST POSITIVE or increase in absences where COVID-19 suspected	IF the CHILD is in the setting – Isolate away from others until they can be picked up from school. (Refer to PPE guidance on gov.uk if personal care is required within 2m) If a staff member, they should go home immediately.	Individuals go home to self-isolate for 10 days since onset of symptoms. Household contacts of cases self-isolate for 14 days	**Headteacher to call Health Protection Team and Local Authority**	The HPT will work with you to determine if any contacts in the setting need to self-isolate at home for 14 days. This will usually be the class/bubble.

Other important control measures to reduce risk to other children and staff include: minimising contact with those who are unwell, handwashing, respiratory hygiene, cleaning, minimising mixing and contact by altering the environment and daily schedules.