



Dealing with a suspected case of COVID-19 -  
If your child feels unwell in school due to  
COVID-19 symptoms

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## TELL THE TEACHER/SNA

If your child does not feel well, please encourage him/her to tell the teacher/ SNA.

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## MASK & COLLECTED FROM CLASSROOM

If your child is displaying symptoms of COVID-19, he/she will be given a disposable mask to wear and the Principal/Deputy Principal will be called to collect him/her from the classroom. This will be done as discreetly as possible.

Explain to your child that it will be necessary for the Principal/Deputy Principal to wear a mask, visor and apron.

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## CONTACT PARENTS & ISOLATION AREA

Your child will be brought to an isolation area & you will be contacted. There are several of these areas in the school. He/She will be made comfortable. Please reassure him/ her that if brought to an isolation area, it is for the safety of the whole school community. He/ She is being very responsible by telling the teacher/SNA if feeling unwell. The isolation areas will be private and well ventilated. Your child will not be left alone. He/ She will be supervised at all times. The Principal/ Deputy Principal/ staff member will stay with him/her until collected.

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## ADVISED TO CONTACT GP AND UPDATE SCHOOL

On collection, you will be asked to seek advice from your GP.

Please **update the school as to the status of your child's health**, as advised by GP, **PRIOR** to his/her return to school.

You can contact the school via email **office@stnessans.ie** or on **061229911**

**Pupils should only return to school when symptom free.**

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## TEACHER TALK

The teachers will speak to their classes on the first day about what will happen if a pupil feels unwell. It is important that the pupils understand that they have to tell the teacher and that they have to be isolated from their class. This is for everyone's safety. Social responsibility will be highlighted as appropriate to age of class. .

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## PARENT TALK

We ask that you speak to your child about this. Reassure them that this procedure is in place to protect the health of all the pupils & staff in our school.

Explain to your child that if he/she is displaying symptoms of COVID-19, it will be treated as a suspected case of COVID-19. Reassure your child that this does not necessarily mean that he/ she has Covid-19, it is simply a precaution the school must take to ensure the safety of all.