

15 March 2021

Dear Parent/ Carers,

Re: Home Testing

Thank you for giving consent for your child to be involved in the lateral flow testing. Once your child has had 3 tests on site, they will be able to move to home testing. We understand that this is a trying time for all and hope that the following information will go some way to alleviating some of your concerns.

This week we will be issuing all students with 2 sets of 'Home' testing kits once they have completed their 3rd test in the Academy. It is hoped that by this point they will be adept at self-testing and the process involved.

Students will need to 'Home Test' every Sunday and Wednesday evening.

Included with this email are two infographics that will explain the process visually, together with the following link to YouTube that will take you to a set of video demonstrations produced by the NHS to offer more information in terms of home testing

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvaBZskxS7tzQYIVg7lwH5uxAD9UrSzGJ>

Pupils aged 12-17 should self-test and report with adult supervision. An adult may conduct the test if necessary. When testing at home children aged 11 (who attend a secondary school) should be tested/swabbed by an adult.

Anyone who has previously received a positive COVID-19 PCR test result should not be re-tested within 90 days of that test, unless they develop any new symptoms of COVID-19.

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The tests are for the students for personal use only and should not be used for anyone else. If family members experience COVID-19 symptoms, they must follow standard Government guidance, including self-isolating immediately and booking a test through the NHS Coronavirus (COVID 19)

Participation and Data Protection

All participation in testing is voluntary

Once you have understood the testing process and have read the privacy notice, if you choose to participate you are committing to self-administer the test and report your results via the NHS Test & Trace digital platform and to your education setting.

You must now do the following:

1. Before taking your test, you must read the privacy notice to understand what will happen with your data. Please use the following link to access this:

<https://accounts.google.com/signin/v2/identifier?service=wise&passive=1209600&continue=https%3A%2F%2Fdocs.google.com%2Fdocument%2Fd%2F1UoBnsJ8lokf5ppA52NbGp9oqjnFC2LkHloNV5PfWofs%2Fedit&followup=https%3A%2F%2Fdocs.google.com%2Fdocument%2Fd%2F1UoBnsJ8lokf5ppA52NbGp9oqjnFC2LkHloNV5PfWofs%2Fedit<mpl=docs&flowName=GlifWebSignIn&flowEntry=ServiceLogin>

2. You are required to report the results of your tests online, or by phone, every time you take a test, even if the result was negative or void.

<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

3. The Academy is not able to view the results that the students have uploaded to the online service. Therefore, it is essential you should also communicate results separately on the following form, so that we can respond accordingly.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=9XyWLoQJF0Oy_0Bv7lvSyrIOYL35qaVLjyqM_7JoX6FUOUtFMUZBS0pMNVVXWU9XWfNjNIMzT1pIUC4u

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Any students who test positive with a self-test at home, will then require a further PCR test to be undertaken

- Students in these situations must not return to school.
- You must go to www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test to book/ order PCR test immediately after receiving a positive LFD result
- Your household and their close contacts should self-isolate immediately. They can leave their home for the follow-up test, but not for any other reason.
- If the follow-up test is negative, the student, your household and their close contacts can stop self-isolating.
- If the follow-up test is positive, the student, your household and their close contacts will need to self-isolate for 10 days from the time of the positive test.

Kind regards,

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