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Dear Parent/Carer

Information about the provision of Covid-19 home-testing for students

Thank you for your support with the Covid-19 testing programme. We have now completed testing for students on site. Students who have previously registered have now been issued with their first set of COVID-19 home testing kits. Each kit (box) contains three lateral flow tests. Each student has been given 3 boxes, giving them 9 tests in total. This will provide enough home-testing kits to enable testing to continue over the Easter holidays.

It is recommended that students test themselves twice per week, with three to five days between each test. We would recommend that your child takes a test on Sunday evening/Monday morning and Wednesday evening/Thursday morning before they travel to school.

Full instructions for completing the LFT test are contained in this information leaflet: <https://tinyurl.com/stwtzvvp>. There is also a YouTube video which gives all the details on how to conduct the test. This can be found here: [Step by step guide to COVID-19 self-testing - YouTube](#).

Students aged 11 should have the test administered by an adult, for students aged 12+ they can administer their own test. There is no need to keep used test equipment after the test result has been reported, you can put it in your normal bin (household waste).

Results of each test must be registered with NHS Test and Trace via this website: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result> or by calling 119. You should also report your results to the academy after each test by completing the following [Google Form](#)

If the result of a home-test is positive, **you, your household and any support bubbles you are part of**, should self-isolate immediately in line with NHS Test and Trace guidance for 10 days. You should report the result as per the guidance above and also immediately contact the school on 01642 452191, option 2 to let us know.

Please be aware that these home-test kits are for those who are NOT showing symptoms of Covid-19. Please DO NOT send your child into school if they/or members of the household are showing any signs of Covid-19. The household must self-isolate and book a PCR test via <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test> or by ringing 119.

If you have not previously consented to testing, but would still like your child to be tested at home, please access rapid testing from a local NHS test site or via <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

Yours sincerely



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