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Dear Parents/Carers

Lateral Flow Testing now available for all households and bubbles of school pupils.

From 1st March 2021, any families where children are in school can access lateral flow tests to use at home twice a week on any member of your household or wider bubble. This is a purely voluntary scheme for families who wish to participate. No child will be stopped from attending school because they are not regularly accessing non-symptomatic testing.

You can get access these tests:

- through your employer if they offer testing to employees
- at a local test site
- by collecting a home test kit from a test site
- by ordering a home test kit online

Get a test through your employer

Your workplace may offer rapid lateral flow testing to you. Contact your employer to find out more.

Take a test at a rapid lateral flow test site

You can take a rapid lateral flow test at a local site. Testing at these sites is assisted, which means you will swab yourself under the supervision of a trained operator.

You may need to book an appointment.

[Find your nearest rapid lateral flow test site.](#)

Collect test kits

You can collect 2 packs of home test kits at a local collection point. Each pack contains 7 tests.

Anyone 18 or over can collect. You can check online if the location is busy before you go. [Find your nearest home test kit collection point.](#)

Order home test kits online

If you cannot get tested at your workplace, or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a home test kit online. Do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most.

[Order rapid lateral flow home test kits](#)

What twice-weekly testing involves

You will be asked to:

- take a test at home twice a week (every 3 or 4 days apart)
- report every result to NHS Test and Trace on the same day you take the test



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- [Report your test result online](#) or by calling 119.
- If anyone tests positive or gets coronavirus symptoms, they should tell the school and: self-isolate immediately, get a PCR test to confirm the result, and follow the [stay at home guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection](#)
- A negative result means the test did not find signs of coronavirus. But this does not guarantee you do not have coronavirus, so you should keep following all [coronavirus advice](#) including:
 - regular handwashing
 - social distancing
 - wearing a face covering where recommended

This does not replace the system of testing for children or family members who have symptoms of COVID-19. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, arrange to have a PCR test if you have not already had one. Stay at home while you are waiting for a home self-sampling kit, a test site appointment or a test result. Do not use the rapid lateral flow testing service as this is only for people without symptoms

With very best wishes,

Miss Petras
Acting Head Teacher

