

22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Re: Lateral Flow Testing**

As you may be aware on return to school in March lateral flow testing was offered to all students in school followed by home testing kits being issued. Your child will be issued with another kit this week to continue home testing. Home testing is not compulsory. If you are happy for your child to be involved in home testing, they should take a test at home on Sunday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. If your child forgets to take the test at the designated time, please take it as soon as it is convenient for them to do so.

The results of all tests should be reported to the NHS app (instructions will be issued along with the kit).

If your child tests positive they should self-isolate, get a PCR test at a local testing centre to confirm the result and follow the stay at home guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection. Please inform the school if your child tests positive.

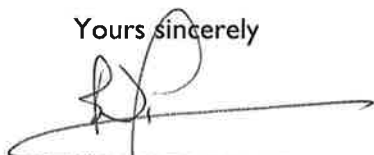
Please note the tests being distributed by Yardleys School are for pupils only. You are also now able to access home testing for households of school children and members of support and childcare bubbles. These can be collected locally via the following link:

[www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests](http://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests)

Home testing cannot replace basic safety procedures or the need to follow lockdown restrictions. Nor do the tests replace the need to self-isolate if you or a member of your household develops symptoms associated with Covid-19. However, regular testing using Lateral Flow Devices is a further protective measure which will support us in prioritising everyone's health and safety as we welcome students back to school.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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