

Why are we testing pupils?

Up to one in three people who have COVID-19 can spread the virus without knowing, this is because they have no symptoms.

To reduce the spread of the virus, we need to identify those individuals.

Home testing is intended to identify asymptomatic infection.

It's Simple – I promise!

- Email sent out today with full instructions
- Instructions are also on the School website.
- If you are unsure about any aspect of home testing, please contact school and we will help.

We have enabled the Chat facility so if you have any questions,
please put them in the chat and we will try and answer them.

Step 1 – Read the small print

 The privacy notice has been sent out by email and is also available on the school website

 Consent is assumed when you open the test kit box, so you don't need to complete a new consent form.

Step 2 – Get your test kits

- Pupils who have completed three supervised Lateral Flow Tests in School have been issued with their test kits today.
- Pupils who missed one of the in school tests will be tested later this week and then issued with their test kits.
- Pupils have initially been given 2 test kits, each containing 3 lateral flow tests. Additional test kits will be issued before the Easter holiday.
- The lateral flow test are exactly the same as the ones we have been using in school and the ones issued to school staff.

Step 3 – Bin the instructions

The sealed test kits have the wrong instructions inside!

New instructions were attached to the test kits

Please bin the old instructions and use the new ones

Step 4 – Read the instructions and watch the video



Link in email from school

- Please be careful with other videos, many use different test kits with slightly different instructions
- Pupils know how to complete the swabbing process
- Alternative swab both nostrils instead of tonsils and one nostril

Step 5 – Take the test

 Pupils should complete two tests each week, preferably on a Monday and Thursday morning before school (but the night before is fine).

Pupils aged 18 and over should self test and report the results. Pupils aged 12-17 can self test and report under adult supervision Pupils aged 11 should be tested/swabbed by an adult

 Once the test has been completed and the result recorded, everything can go in the bin (household waste)

Step 6 – Record the result with NHS Test and Trace

All results must be recorded with NHS Test and Trace

Link is on the email sent from school and on the school website.

Step 7 - Record the result with School

All results must be recorded with school using the Google Form.

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Step 8 – What next ...?

Negative Result

Record results,

Come to school,

No further action

Void Result

Record result,

Repeat as soon as possible,

Come to school

Positive Result

Record result,

Contact school directly to inform,

Book a PCR test and self-isolate.

Testing for family members (adults)

Home Test kits for family members (adults) can be ordered online at

https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests

(link on email sent today and website)

or collected from Beeston Testing Centre (behind Sainsbury's) between 1pm and 8pm.

Last bits ...

- This testing does not replace symptomatic testing. If you have symptoms, you should self-isolate immediately, book a PCR test and follow the national guidance.
- Taking part in testing is voluntary and all pupils will be able to attend school whether they take part in testing or not.
- We are strongly encouraging all pupils to take part. Testing at home will allow your child and other pupils to attend school as safely as possible.