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Dear Parent/Carer

On Monday 22 March your child will be provided with two packs of Covid-19 home testing kits. Each pack contains three tests and a full set of easy to follow instructions. These tests are to be self-administered at home twice a week.

### **When should my child take the test?**

Your child should take the tests on the following dates:

**Test 1:** Monday 22 March

**Test 2:** Thursday 25 March

**Test 3:** Monday 29 March

**Test 4:** Thursday 1 April

**Test 5:** Monday 19 April (This is the morning they should return to school following the two week Easter break).

**Test 6:** Thursday 22 April

**All of the tests should be taken on the morning before coming to school. You should allow for 30 minutes for the test to be taken and the result confirmed.**

Each pack of tests comes with a clear set of instructions and this link takes you to a short helpful video that demonstrates how the test should be administered.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kZhSPnnXyPo>

### **How do I report the result of a Covid-19 test?**

**All** results should be reported to the NHS using this link <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result> or by telephone by simply dialling 119.

**If your child tests positive** you should also notify the school's attendance team by phoning 597500. **You must not send them into school.**

**The school also require you to report the result of all tests whether positive, negative or void.** Please use the link below to easily provide this information.

[BCA COVID-19 Reporting Form Survey \(surveymonkey.co.uk\)](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk)



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## What action should I take if my child tests positive?

If your child tests positive using a home testing kit you should book a PCR test for them and self-isolate until the results of that test are confirmed. The link below takes you to the most up to date government advice and guidance on Covid-19.

[National lockdown: Stay at Home - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

## Will home testing for Covid-19 continue after Easter?

Yes. When the students return on Monday 19 April they will be provided additional home testing kits for the next half-term.

## March 2021 and the Return to School

Since Thursday 11 March we have had all year groups back onsite and in lessons. It felt like a long time coming but it's been exciting to see the youngsters return ready to get back in the classroom, re-establish their friendship groups and get back into the routine of school life. Something I think we were all desperate for!

Thank you, once again, for all the support you continue to offer the youngsters and the school. I'll look forward to updating you again before Easter.

Yours faithfully



**Mr G Harris**  
**Principal**



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