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NHS Test and Trace: COVID-19 testing for staff and students

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following my letter to you regarding the NHS Test and Trace (copy attached), I'm delighted to inform you that we have established a lateral flow testing site at the school. We are using the school hall for this purpose. We commenced our testing of school staff on Friday and staff will continue to be tested on a weekly basis. It has been a fabulous team effort, kindly supported by expert medical staff to provide additional resource and reassurance.

Later this week we will commence our testing of the students that are on site, providing of course, that we have appropriate consent from you. There is still an opportunity for you to provide your consent for your child to be tested, and I have attached a consent form to this letter should you wish to complete it and return to us.

- All staff involved on the testing team have been fully trained.
- The lateral flow test involves taking a swab from the throat and nose, and it is self-administered.
- The student will register at the side of the hall.
- Following instructions the student will put the swab in their throat and nostril.
- Taking the test should last no more than a couple of minutes and our staff are available throughout to help, guide and support the students through the process.
- Results of the test will be communicated electronically.

We will be testing students twice a week, which is in line with the Government guidelines. This is likely to be either Mondays and Thursdays, or Tuesdays and Fridays.

Thank you for your continued support of the school community.

Yours faithfully

Phil Randall
Headteacher

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