

To: all parents/carers

24 March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the next few months when we hope to have an easing of lockdown.

Thank you for engaging so supportively with our testing endeavours. We would like to encourage everyone to continue to ensure that their children test themselves at home twice a week throughout the Easter holidays, including the day before or morning of the return to school. This is one measure we can take to help keep our community safe.

### **Reporting Test Results**

Please report the results of each test to the school using the following link, which will also allow you to order more test kits if needed:

[Report results to school & order additional test kits](#)

You also need to report the result of the tests to the Department of Education:

[Report results to DoE](#)

### **Ordering Test Kits**

If your child has not received three tests in school, we are now able to issue test kits if we have explained how to complete the tests. Please follow the link below if this applies to your child:

[Request for first lateral flow test kit](#)

Parents can also order test kits for the household:

[Request test kit for household](#)

### **Test and Trace Support Payment**

Parents and carers of children who have been advised to self-isolate by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a [Test and Trace Support Payment](#) or discretionary payment of £500, if they meet the eligibility criteria. The extension of the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme, which is administered by district and unitary local authorities in England, ensures that parents receive the financial support they need if they are unable to attend work due to childcare responsibilities.

### **Face Masks**

We are hoping for further clarification regarding the wearing of face masks after Easter and will write to you regarding this in the first week back to school.

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**Year 11 / Year 13 Assessment**

Next term is a critical one for Years 11 and 13. We would urge you to speak to your child to explain the importance of putting every effort into their studies and assessments. Everything is to play for, and we are hopeful that students will really push themselves in the term ahead to achieve their best. I know it is challenging for them considering the year they have had but a final push could make all the difference to their Teacher Assessed Grades.

**Term Dates 2021-2022**

The term dates for the next academic year 2021-2022 have now been published and can be accessed via our website:

[School term dates](#)

Please note the dates may differ from those of our feeder schools.

Wishing you and your families a peaceful and relaxing Easter break.

Yours faithfully

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Ms C Dallas  
Headteacher