

15th March, 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Home Asymptomatic Testing

Following the Government procedures we are now moving into the stage of Asymptomatic Testing where pupils are requested to complete Lateral Flow tests at home. These tests will be completed twice weekly.

To start this process pupils will be given two boxes containing three home testing kits each. These will be given out Tuesday afternoon before the end of school ready to start testing on Wednesday 17th march. The boxes contain the necessary equipment to complete six Lateral Flow Tests at home in total. Instructions are included with the test kits, and further support and guidance can be found using these links.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/957271/COVID-19-self-test-instructions.pdf

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/956190/COVID-19-self-test-instructions-easy-read.pdf

These sites plus a video on how to test can also be found by visiting the school web-site:

<http://weyvalley-academy.co.uk/parents/covid19-information-2021/>

The lateral flow testing will need to be completed every Wednesday evening and the following Sunday evening before school the next day. Please see the table below for dates for testing. Results will need to be recorded on the Government system which is detailed in the instruction booklets. Results also need to be recorded for school on the form following the link below.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=CHIiGOEprE6Arbq4Tc1JXaOO_8_7LNEkGI_Cf4bLR1UQVFJUVAwUE05R01DOTFGMzZCUzk4WU1HQi4u

Home Testing Schedule	
Wednesday 17th March	Pm
Sunday 21st March	Pm
Wednesday 24 th March	Pm
Sunday 28 th March	Pm
Wednesday 31 st March	Pm
Sunday 4 th April	Pm

In accordance with Government guidelines released on 12th March, home testing will continue through the two week Easter break.

It is important for staff and students to keep testing through the Easter holidays to manage the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19), as part of a regular habit of testing at home every 3-4 days (twice a week). NHS Test and Trace will be supplying sufficient test kits to schools and colleges to enable this to happen.

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Once your child starts testing at home using lateral flow tests, positive results must be followed up with a confirmatory PCR test. Please follow the Government guidance on self-isolation.

The quick and simple Lateral Flow Tests that all staff and now pupils will be completing will hopefully catch cases that might otherwise go undetected and help us as a school to remain fully open.

Yours faithfully,



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