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C of E Comprehensive School

Our ref: JMK/SXG

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Dear Parent/Guardian

## **Update on Asymptomatic Testing for Covid-19 in School – Years 7, 8, 9 and 10**

Thank you for returning the consent forms regarding the asymptomatic testing for Covid-19 in school. I am very pleased to say that the majority of parents have given consent for their child to take part in the Lateral Flow Device (LFD) tests upon their return to school next week. The testing site in the Sports Hall is now up and running with Years 11-13 having had their first test this week.

During the morning that students return to school, they will receive their LFD test. In order to minimise contact between students, they will remain in form groups from morning registration through to the end of Period 2. Students who have received a negative test result will then be allowed to return to normal lessons during Period 3. Break and lunchtimes may vary according to testing times.

For the first two periods of the day that your child returns to school, they will not attend their normal lessons. Whilst your child is in their form group, they will be provided with Maths/English work to complete as they will not be attending normal lessons. These sessions will be supervised by available staff.

Please can your child bring in a reading book on their return date and class books from Period 3 onwards. They should continue to bring in a packed lunch and any snacks/drinks.

This is a short-term, temporary change to your child's timetable, which will allow the school to focus on its mass testing of the whole school community before normal lessons resume.

All other arrangements for the reopening of the school will be as per my letter dated 3 March 2021.

Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully

**Jonathan Knowler**  
**Headteacher**