



# MAIDEN ERLEGH

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Dear Parent/Guardian

### COVID-19 Home Testing Reminder

I am so pleased with the number of students carrying out home testing. This is an excellent way to help protect our community, so thank for your support with this. As we are now in the final term of the year I wanted to emphasise the importance to continue with home testing. This is particularly important for Year 11 and Year 13 who will be completing assessments shortly. Please could I ask that you remind students who have agreed to testing to ensure they carry out and log their test results twice a week. This will help to ensure that if a case does occur, the impact will be as small as possible. We are expecting to receive a delivery of more tests next week which will then be handed out to students in school.

As per my previous letter to you, I would like to draw your attention to the information below which may be beneficial:

#### Training & information

Please read the below "How to self-test at home" document and watch the following YouTube video before carrying out testing with your child at home:

- [How to self-test at home](#)
- [Step by step guide to COVID-19 self-testing - YouTube](#)

#### Testing Frequency

Test your child twice a week. At the end of each test you dispose of the individual materials in your normal household waste and store the remainder safely at home.

#### Test Reporting

Please note that by collecting and opening the test at home, you are legally committed to reporting your child's results via the NHS Test and Trace reporting system. All test results must also be reported to school as well as via the NHS, whether negative or positive. To do this, we have set up the following google form – please ensure this is done on the day of the test:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSckP7lwxmxGlfYZkLN5P2aUHq1wxYRD\\_Td-oqm4\\_5s29qd8QQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSckP7lwxmxGlfYZkLN5P2aUHq1wxYRD_Td-oqm4_5s29qd8QQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

A positive confirmatory PCR will be required for all positive cases when a test is taken at home. You will need to book your child a test and follow the advice from PHE for isolation for you and your household, and details of how to do this are in the above guide and the information leaflet we will give to your child. A privacy note can also be found [here](#).

I would strongly encourage you to encourage your child to carry out the tests, and to give them assistance where required as this is one of the best ways to help keep our school free of any COVID-19 cases or outbreaks.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Gibson  
Headteacher