

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

**RE: Lateral Flow Testing – Bank Holiday Monday**

Please can I ask parents to encourage their child to use the Lateral Flow Test (LFT) this weekend. As Monday is a bank holiday any positive LFTs will mean that we will not have to identify any students as close contacts. This will minimise the impact of any Covid related absence.

If your child does test positive, then please inform us. You should also book a confirmatory PCR test. If the PCR is negative, then your child can return to school.

The DfE have produced a blog to explain the importance of reporting the result of any LFT. To help in communicating the importance of testing and reporting, the DfE have produced a blog on [why reporting your test result is as important as taking a test](#), featuring further guidance and common questions. This also includes details on financial support available to parents whose children are asked to self-isolate after contact with a positive case.

As you are aware, we are fortunate that we can offer Daily Contact Testing if your child is identified as a close contact. If you have not done so already you can give your consent for this in advance by completing the MS Forms questionnaire.

<https://forms.office.com/r/LxUmeGhj36>

Thank you for your continued support.



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