



Dear Parent or Carer,

As our teachers continue to provide excellent remote learning opportunities for students, we are excited to see all the students back in school, following a testing schedule that will commence on Monday 8 March. Our initial testing programme will run from Monday 8 March through to Wednesday 10 March, with face-to-face lessons resuming for all students on Thursday 11 March.

### Support for families

I would like to share resources from the [Mental Health Foundation](#), which cover a range of strategies on returning to school, including practical advice for parents and caregivers relevant for when children and young people return to face-to-face learning.

### Asymptomatic Testing of students

In line with Government guidance, we will conduct three tests on all students over two weeks. Rapid lateral flow testing is vitally important as it enables us to identify individuals with coronavirus (COVID-19) who do not have symptoms. Finding asymptomatic cases can help ensure the safety of our students and staff, and works to reduce transmission of the virus.

To facilitate a return to education please complete the [Covid Test online consent form](#) by **Tuesday 2 March**. If you are unable to complete the online form please call Reception on 01252 319211 for assistance.

### Testing on Monday 8 March to Wednesday 10 March:

- Students must arrive 10 minutes before their allocated test time wearing a face covering.
- We cannot accommodate siblings at the same time as each other due to our capacity for testing.
- We will not conduct tests on any student without the completed online consent.
- Once tested, students must return home. We will only notify you if the result is positive.
- Students accessing keyworker provision, will receive their test at the time specified below.
- Students do NOT need to wear their uniform to these appointments.

	Monday 8 March	Tuesday 9 March	Wednesday 10 March
09:00 – 09:30	11A 11C	7A 7C	9A 9C
09:30 – 10:00	11E 11J	7E 7J	9E 9J
10:00 – 10:30	11M 11P	7M 7P	9M 9P
11:15 – 11:45	11S 11H	7S 7H	9S 9H
11:45 – 12:15	12TP 12MO	8A 8C	10A 10C
12:15 – 12:45	12KK 12SS	8E 8J	10E 10J
13:30 – 14:00	12JB 12LM	8M 8P	10M 10P
14:00 – 14:30	13SB 13AP	8S 8H	10S 10H
14:30 – 15:00	13RG 13RC 13LD		

Following three days of testing, all students will then return to school full-time from Thursday 11 March.



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The second and third tests will be completed during lesson time from Thursday 11 March to Thursday 18 March. Subsequently students will be asked to complete twice weekly lateral flow tests at home. Further information regarding the home tests will be shared during the week beginning Monday 15 March.

### Learning during testing period

- To avoid disruption to lessons on their testing day, students will be set Assignments through Teams.
- On days when students are not being tested, they will have Live Remote Lessons as usual.
- Keyworker provision will remain on offer for these three days.

At the end of next week I will outline the testing procedures to help students understand the process and the measures we have put in place for accurate and safe testing.

I strongly urge everyone to consent to testing to ensure the safety of the All Hallows Family is protected and to minimise disruption to future learning. This is a significant task and your support is greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully



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