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Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your support with home testing. We have now received further guidance from the Government regarding the on-going home testing programme.

Your child should continue testing twice a week, at home, throughout the Easter school holidays. We will be sending home extra kits for Easter holiday before term ends. Please continue to complete these tests on Mondays and Thursdays. Please be aware the buffer solutions are small and can be easily missed within the pack. Prior to the return to school, all students are to complete a home test on **Sunday 18 April** instead of Monday 19 April. Please follow the guidelines which have been included with the tests to report the results to NHS Test and Trace and to the school using classcharts. A video detailing the home testing process is linked [here](#) alongside a guide [here](#). It is crucial that positive, void and negative results are all recorded with both NHS Test and Trace and the school.

### Results

Results take around half an hour from testing.

- **Positive test result** - The classcharts log will alert your child's Head of House. Following a positive LFD test, your child will need to complete a PCR test which can be booked [here](#). If the PCR test is positive, your child and your household will be required to isolate for 10 days. If the PCR test is negative, your child can return to school.
- **Void test result** - A second test should be completed at home and the result reported to Test and Trace and via classcharts.
- **Negative test result** - Your child is able to continue as normal.

### Testing for parents, households and bubbles twice a week

Rapid testing is now also available for parents, their households and support or childcare bubbles. The government is encouraging all families to participate in twice weekly testing to help stop the spread. Parents and other adults in the household can access tests by:

- Ordering tests online [www.gov.uk/order-school-household-tests](http://www.gov.uk/order-school-household-tests)
- Getting an assisted test at work, if it is available
- Attending a test site to get tested (where you will be able to see how to take the test) or pick up tests to do at home.

To find out more on school household testing, please view this [link](#). Further government information regarding the asymptomatic testing programme can be found [here](#).

Thank you for your support with our testing programme. Please continue to be vigilant for symptoms in your household and our staff will continue to support your child throughout. Should have any questions please email [school@skdrive.org](mailto:school@skdrive.org).

Yours sincerely



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