



Covid Testing in School and Whole School Re-opening - Frequently Asked Questions

Does my child have to wear school uniform when coming into school to only have their Covid lateral flow test?

No, school uniform does not have to be worn.

When should my child come into school for a Covid lateral flow test?

If we have received consent to allow your child to take a lateral flow test, dates and times have been provided for students to come into school. The letter referring to these dates can be found on the Edulink Noticeboard titled either (according to their year group):

- 1.3.21 DHT Letter to Parents Y7*
- 1.3.21 DHT Letter to Parents Y8*
- 1.3.21 DHT Letter to Parents Y9*
- 1.3.21 DHT Letter to Parents Y10*
- 1.3.21 DHT Letter to Parents Y11*

Does my child chose just one of the days given in the letter for their Covid lateral flow test?

No, students will need to have 3 tests in total, dates for tests 1 and 2 have been given in the relevant letter and test 3 will take place on Friday 12 March 2021.

I have not given consent for my child to have a Covid lateral flow test – will they still have a test?

No, unless we have received consent for your child (either by completing the consent form on Edulink or a paper copy), we will not be asking your child to have a Covid lateral flow test.

Can I still give consent for my child to have a Covid lateral flow test?

Yes, the easiest way to give consent for your child to have a Covid lateral flow test is to log onto Edulink, click on the 'Forms' icon and complete the consent form. For parents who do not have access to Edulink, a paper version can be obtained from the school reception.

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Will my child have any lessons when they come into school for their Covid lateral flow test?

No, on the days that test 1 and test 2 take place, students will just be coming into school at their allocated time to take their test and then they will go home. However, on Friday 12 March 2021 all students will be in school for lessons as usual and they will be taken out of lessons to have test 3 if consent has been given.

I have not given consent for my child to have a Covid lateral flow test, so when will they be back in school?

All students, whether they have been tested or not, should return to school on Wednesday, 10 March 2021 in full school uniform, with a face covering.

It says students will be having Covid lateral flow testing done on Friday 12 March 2021 during lesson time, therefore, on which dates are lessons starting?

All students will be back having usual lessons on Wednesday 10 March 2021. Students who have given consent for a Covid lateral flow test will be taking test 3 during lesson time on Friday, 12 March 2021.

Will students need to stay for the results of their Covid lateral flow test?

No students will go straight home after having their tests and the results will be sent to the parent/carer by text message.

Do students go into school via Reception for their Covid lateral flow test?

No students will need to enter school by their normal entry route and not through Reception.