



Dear Parents & Carers,

Many thanks to all those taking part in the Langley School Lateral Flow Testing Program, we are pleased to report that we have now completed over 3000 tests across both sites, with no positive results found.

We continue to maintain all covid-19 risk mitigation including a further anti-microbial treatment of both our sites and minibuses.

As we move towards the completion of on-site testing for pupils/students, we would like to share some further information with regards to moving to home testing.

Testing pupils/students at home

- Pupils/students Year 7 and above will be able to collect home test kits from the school test centres upon attendance of their 3rd onsite test.
- Pupils/students will be required to sign for their test kits and will initially be provided with a pack of 3 tests, further test kits will be available to collect as required from the following points of contact.

Years 7 and 8 Prep Site – From Matrons Office

Years 7 and 8 Senior Site – Garden Cottage

Years 9, 10 and 11 – Main House Reception

L6/U6 – The Alston Centre

- Notification of tests will be required to test and trace and to the school. A QR code and website portal have been set up for ease of school reporting.
- Tests are free of charge. Pupils/students will receive a pack of tests in a box with a leaflet on how to take the test and, importantly, how to report the results.
- Please do make sure you have enough time to do the test before going to School. Preferably this would be in the morning before going into school (Monday/Thursday). However, we understand that for some people this may be challenging, therefore, tests can be taken the evening before school if needed (Sunday/Wednesday). Please do also allow time to report test results.

Taking the test

- We will provide pupils/students with a leaflet with instructions on how to do the test with the kit (a copy is attached herewith for information). There is also a useful video to show you how to take the test [here](#). [Help and support is available](#), including instructions in different languages.
- There is no need to keep used test equipment after the test result has been reported. You can put it in your normal bin (household waste).
- Lateral Flow Testing does not replace symptomatic testing. If you have symptoms, you should self-isolate immediately, book a [PCR test](#) and follow [national guidelines](#).

What should you do after the test?

- If anyone tests **positive you, your household, any support bubbles you are part of** should self-isolate immediately in line with NHS Test and Trace guidance for 10 days.

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- You need to report your result to both [NHS Test and Trace](#) and your School Portal.
- You should [order a confirmatory PCR test](#) if you are testing at home (confirmatory PCR tests are not needed if the test was conducted at the Asymptomatic Test Site at School/college).
- If the result of the test is **unclear (void)** you should do another test.
- **Negative and void results** should be reported to both [NHS Test & Trace](#) and to the [Langley Covid Test Result Portal](#)
- A negative result does not guarantee that you are not carrying the virus. So, you should continue to follow social distancing, and other measures to reduce transmission such as wearing a face mask and regularly washing your hands and observing social distancing.
- If you or anyone in your household gets symptoms of the virus you should follow [national guidelines on self-isolation and testing](#).

You need to report each test result

- The result of each test needs to be reported using the NHS Test & Trace self-report website: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>.
- You will also need to tell the school the result of each test via the [Langley Covid Test Result Portal](#) or by scanning the QR code provided with the test kit.

Why take part?

- Taking part in testing is voluntary and all pupils/students will be able to attend school whether they take part in testing or not.
- We are strongly encouraging all eligible pupils/students to take part. Testing at home will allow your child and other children to attend school as safely as possible.
- Please find FAQ's and further information attached, should you have any further questions or concerns regarding home testing please do not hesitate to contact coronaupdate@langleschool.co.uk

May we take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of the testing program.

Kind regards

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