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December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

COVID-19 testing – on-site testing in January 2022

All schools have again been asked to provide on-site testing for students in January. One on-site COVID-19 test will therefore be undertaken when the students return after the Christmas break.

As with the most recent testing, students should access the school via the Higham Lane pedestrian gate off Higham Lane. Testing will take place in the Gym. Staff will be present to support students with accessing the site. For any new students that have joined since the last round of testing, a map is attached separately to this correspondence to show the access point.

Testing will again be grouped by year groups and then further split into form groups. The testing regime is summarised by date as follows: -

Date	Year group being tested	Students educated on site
5 January	Y11, Y12, Y13	None
6 January	Y8, Y10	Y11, Y12, Y13
7 January	Y7, Y9	Y8, Y10, Y11, Y12, Y13
10 January	None	All students

The following table shows the times each form group will attend for testing: -

Time/Date	Wednesday 5 January	Thursday 6 January	Friday 7 January
Arrival time	Y11/Y12/Y13	Y8/Y10	Y7/Y9
7.50am	11H1	8H1	7H1
8.15am	11H2	8H2	7H2
8.40am	11H3	8H3	7H3
9.05am	11L1	8L1	7L1
9.30am	11L2	8L2	7L2
9.55am	11L3	8L3	7L3
10.20am	11S1	8S1	7S1
10.45am	11S2	8S2	7S1
11.10am	11S3	8S3	7S3
11.35am	Epsilon/Theta	10H1	9H1
12pm	Break	Break	Break
12.45pm	Zeta	10H2	9H2
13.10pm	Alpha/Lambda	10H3	9H3
13.35pm	Mu	10L1	9L1
14.00pm	Beta/Gamma	10L2	9L2
14.25pm	Delta	10L3	9L3
14.50pm	lota/Kappa	10S1	9S1
15.15pm	Eta	10S2	982
15.40pm	No testing	10S3	983

If your son/daughter has tested positive on a PCR test in the past 90 days then they should not come in for their test.

Nasal flu vaccinations

Due to the late notice given to schools for this testing, this now means that the **nasal flu vaccinations will no longer take place on 5 January 2021**. Further details will be sent on a revised date in the near future.

Remote Learning: Wednesday 5 January - Friday 7 January

On days where testing is undertaken, online learning will be provided to students.

During these days, teachers will set work via the subject pages on Google Classroom and your son/daughter will be required to upload their completed work, following the teacher's instructions. Your son/daughter is not expected to complete the work if s/he is in school for testing, but clearly it will benefit him/her if s/he is able to find some time to do so. Subject teachers will be available on the 'stream' for students to ask any questions that they might have about the work.

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused as a result of this staggered return.

Best wishes,

Higham Lane School