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Dear Parents/Carers

### Home testing kits for students

I am pleased to let you know that home testing will be available for you and your child. It is recognised that specialist settings need greater flexibility when delivering testing and therefore it is possible to **test your child at home**. These test kits should be available to you from next week but in the meantime you are also able to collect test kits for your family from your local testing facility. More information is provided below.

Home test kits are scheduled to be delivered to Iffley Academy on Friday this week (12 March 2021) and will be available to children from week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021. **Testing remains voluntary** and no child or young person should be tested unless informed consent has been given by the appropriate person and the child and young person is willing to be tested.

Staff or students with a positive home test result will need to self-isolate in line with the stay-at-home guidance. They will also need to arrange a lab-based polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test to confirm the result if the test was done at home. Those with a negative home test result can continue to attend school.

### Home testing kits for households

The Government has announced that all households with primary and secondary school and college-aged children and young people, including childcare and support bubbles, will be encouraged to start regular twice-weekly rapid lateral flow testing.

Tests are available for **adults in these households** to [order online](#), which can be delivered to their home or collected at a local **symptomatic PCR (polymerase chain reaction) test site**. These PCR sites are where people go to get tested when they have symptoms of COVID-19 and because of that, collection of these home test kits is set for 1pm - 7pm when testing of symptomatic people will not be taking place.



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The PCR local testing sites (LTS) and regional testing site (RTS) offering the collection of home testing kits (referred to as LTS-collect and RTS-collect) in Oxfordshire are:

### **Regional testing site (drive-through)**

- Oxford Parkway, Water Eaton Park & Ride, Oxford Road, Oxford, OX2 8HA

### **Local testing sites (walk-through)**

- Woodgreen Leisure Centre, Woodgreen Avenue, Banbury, OX16 0HS
- Osney Lane, Oxford, OX1 1NY
- Woodford Way car park, Witney, OX28 6JS

You do not need to make an appointment, but you can [check online](#) if the location is open or busy before you go. A reminder collection is 1pm - 7pm.

In Oxfordshire, home tests kits **cannot currently be collected from the county council's symptom-free testing sites**, which are Spiceball Leisure Centre (Banbury), The Beacon (Wantage), and The King's Centre (Oxford). **Please do not go to one of these sites** as the kits they have are not suitable for home use.

Best Regards,

Tom Procter-Legg  
Head Teacher