



Dear Parent/Carer,

HOME COVID-19 TESTING FOR YOUR CHILD

The Government has recently announced that all secondary and college aged students will be offered tests to make the return to school safer for everyone. Up to one in three people who have COVID-19 can spread the virus without knowing. This is because they have no symptoms. To reduce the spread of the virus, we need to identify those individuals. We can do this at Hazel Wood High School by pupils carrying out tests at home twice every week, 3-4 days apart.

Taking the test

Your child should take the test, before coming into school, twice a week on a **Sunday and Thursday**. There is a useful video to show you how to take the test [here](#). Please supervise your child whilst they are taking the test and allow around 40 minutes to carry out the test and for the results to show.

[Help and support is available](#), including instructions in different languages on how to test and report the results and a video showing you how to take the test.

We will add these, any frequently asked questions and the video to our [Covid Communications](#) page on our website, under Home Test Kit Guides.

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).

This does not replace symptomatic testing. If you have symptoms, you should self- isolate immediately (including not attending school), book a PCR test and follow national guidelines.

How to record your child's test results with NHS track and trace

Both positive and negative results of every test taken must be recorded with the **NHS Track and Trace**, either on-line: www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result, or by telephone: **119** (lines open every day 7am to 11pm).

Test Site is: **HWHS**

You will need the QR code or ID number under it, on the test strip to report your result.

How to record your child's test results with school

If your child has a positive result, please e-mail covid@hazelwoodhigh.co.uk with the following information:

- Your child's full name
- Your child's date of birth



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- Your child's year group and form
- The date the test was taken

All positive results from home testing kits will need to be confirmed with a standard PCR test. This can be booked on-line or by calling 119. Whilst waiting for the PCR result, your child and their close contacts should self-isolate.

If your child has a positive or negative result please complete the Microsoft Form below (please note you can use this form more than once):

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=XwpzOVRIVUir6oBz3P2ccfUo0Gr_OqRFsByXDkNfjXZUNURHOVpLSENCQkRUUkVKNDdaM0VIN0dTWS4u

I am strongly encouraging all children to take part. Testing at home will allow your child and other children to attend school and help to reduce the spread of the virus.

The attached document contains some frequently asked questions. Please email covid@hazelwoodhigh.co.uk or telephone school reception on 0161 797 6543, if you have any questions or concerns about home testing.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,



Mr P. Greenhalgh,
Headteacher

