

Ref: GRY/SMI/HomeTesting

16th March 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

RE: Student Home Lateral Flow Testing

I am delighted to inform you that we have now received our deliveries of the home lateral flow testing kit for students and staff. All students with parental consent will be asked to complete their home lateral flow tests at home now as per the table below. I would like to ask that they complete this in the evening of the day stated. This will enable the time and space for the test to be completed and to notify the school in the event of a positive test outcome.

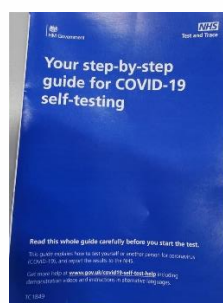
	3 rd In-School LFT	1 st Home Start Test Date	1 st Weekly Test	2 nd Weekly Test
Year 10 and 11	Wednesday 17 th March	Sunday 21 st March	Sunday Evening	Wednesday Evening
Year 7	Thursday 18 th March	Monday 22 nd March	Monday Evening	Thursday Evening
Year 9	Friday 19 th March	Tuesday 23 rd March	Tuesday Evening	Friday Evening
Year 8	Monday 22 nd March	Wednesday 24 th March	Wednesday Evening	Sunday Evening

When your child is brought down for their 3rd Lateral Flow test, they will be given the following items to take home:

4x – Home Testing Kit Packs, which includes all the contents required for home testing.



1x – Step by Step Guide to Home Testing – this updated guide replaces the one found in the testing packs





You will need to register and report your test results, following the instructions in the test guide.

Following the guidance from government, we ask that staff and students continue to test throughout the Easter Holidays on their respective days.

Reporting Positive Results:

If your child's test result is "POSTIVE", we ask you to inform us by either emailing absence@theportsmouthacademy.org.uk or completing the digital form at <https://bit.ly/3eL9VHM>.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on my email address at r.smith@tsatrust.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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