Dear parents/Carers,

You may be aware that all families with children of school age are now able to access Rapid Testing Kits to help in reducing the risks of transmitting the virus to others. This is available for anyone living within your household or in your childcare or support bubble.

School staff have been using the Lateral Flow Devices for almost two months now and it has provided lots of reassurance and is helping to keep the school safe. These tests only take a few minutes and the result is confirmed in 30 minutes.

Families are advised by the DFE that should they wish to take part, they can now access Rapid Test Kits in a number of ways as described below.

**Get a test through your employer**

Your workplace may offer rapid lateral flow testing to you. Contact your employer to find out more.

**Take a test at a rapid lateral flow test site**

You can take a rapid lateral flow test at a local site. Testing at these sites is assisted, which means you will swab yourself under the supervision of a trained operator.

You may need to book an appointment.

**Collect test kits**

You can collect up to 4 home test kits at a local collection point. Each kit contains 7 tests.

Anyone 18 or over can collect. You can check online if the location is busy before you go.

**Order home test kits online**

If you cannot get tested at your workplace, or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a home test kit online.

Do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most.

**NEAREST PICK UP SITE FOR AT HOME TEST KITS:**

**COVID TESTING SITE CENTENARY WAY (BEHIND THE PODS)**

**SCUNTHORPE**

**DN16 1AB**

**Normal opening times are 1.00pm – 8.00pm**

Further details about home testing can be found at:

[Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff?utm_source=1%20March%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19)

**Or Search:**

* **Find your nearest rapid lateral flow test site.**
* **Find your nearest home test kit collection point.**
* **Order rapid lateral flow home test kits.**

The opportunity to participate in the home testing programme is your choice. Alongside the other measures we have put in place at school, this will help to keep everyone safe and help to reduce the spread of the virus.

Thank you.

Mrs T Bass

Head Teacher.