



15 March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted that the Covid-19 testing at school has been a huge success and your child has risen to the challenge with resilience and maturity. We are now in the final stages of the third supervised test.

We will be handing two home test kits and a revised blue instruction booklet to your child when they have their last test. Each kit will contain three Lateral Flow Tests and the necessary equipment to complete each one. If your child has not had the three tests but you would like them to have the home test, please let us know and we will give them one.

Although tests are voluntary, we would urge everyone to keep the community safe and reduce the transmission rate by taking the test twice a week. Getting into a regular habit of testing twice a week will help stop the virus spreading, keeping your family and friends safer.

The first test should ideally be taken on the eve of Sunday 21st March and then again on Wednesday 24th then every week on a Sunday and a Wednesday. Your child should also continue testing twice a week, at home, throughout the Easter school holidays. We will be sending home extra kits for Easter holiday before term ends.

It will take 30 minutes for the final result to appear. You may wish to refer to the attached leaflets and watch a how to video before the first test:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?app=desktop&list=PLvaBZskxS7tzQYIVg7lwH5uxAD9UrSzGJ>

It is really important that results of test are reported online straight away, even if your child's result is negative or void. It's easy to do at www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result.

Results can also be reported via telephone by calling 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day, 7am to 11pm.

You can choose to create an account or continue without an account. Please remember, to have the device available as you will be required to enter the barcode number which is printed on the front of the test.

It is important to keep a note of your child's results and share with school or college as well. Please visit our website and click on the 'Report a Covid Lateral Flow Test' and fill in the short form.

If your child tests positive for Covid-19 using the Lateral Flow Test you must contact the school by phone or emailing [p.chamberlain@kingscolleguildford.com](mailto:p.chamberlain@kingscollegguildford.com) and arrange for a PCR test at your local test centre to verify the result.

Testing for parents, households and bubbles twice a week

A reminder that regular rapid testing is now also available for parents, their households and support or childcare bubbles. The government is encouraging all families to participate in twice weekly testing to help stop the spread.

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Parents and other adults in the household can access tests by:

- Ordering tests online www.gov.uk/order-school-household-tests
- Getting an assisted test at work, if it is available
- Attending a test site to get tested (where you will be able to see how to take the test) or pick up tests to do at home.

To find out more on school household testing visit:

[Households and bubbles of pupils, students and staff of schools and colleges: get rapid lateral flow tests - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

We continue to encourage everyone to take part in regular Covid-19 testing.

Thank you in advance for your support on this matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. McKenzie', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr A. McKenzie
Principal