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Dear Parent/Carer

We have had a great few days back in school and we are all looking forward to seeing all year groups back on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August.

All students will need to take a Lateral Flow Test before we return to school on Tuesday, even if they have taken one already this week. Tests should be taken on Bank Holiday Monday and the results need to be uploaded using the link on the form below by 10pm Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August. Simply click the link and enter your child's name, tutor group and the result of the test. If you decline for your child to partake in the Lateral Flow Testing, please use the link below to inform us.

If you haven't managed to collect a testing kit from school they are available free from most chemists.

## Results can be uploaded here:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=33\_wzdLTyk2HVK3vxmXhiGC39o0mL\_xHteFFF591PIN UMEc3R0I0S1ZIMzc5TINGVE9INFU5RzgxTS4u

If your child receives a positive test result, they must not come onto the school site but should self-isolate in line with government guidelines and take a PCR test. As restrictions have been eased where a member of a household tests positive other household members do not need to isolate unless they also test positive or have symptoms. Therefore, your child can continue to come to school unless they have symptoms or test positive.

The Lateral Flow Testing is only one element of our Covid Secure arrangements. To ensure students stay safe in school we will continue to keep students in well-defined year groups, encourage regular washing and sanitising of hands as well as Lateral Flow Testing, continue to ask students to sanitise their working areas at the end of each session and limit visitors to the site. These arrangements will be reviewed on a regular basis in line with DFE guidance.

To allow us to keep the students in well-defined year groups whilst they access the canteen and be able to serve all the students that require food the following arrangements have been put in place:

Years 7 & 8 will access the canteen at lunchtime Years 8, 9 & 10 will access the canteen at break time We will review these arrangements regularly and continue to update you on any changes.

Thank you for your support in helping us ensure all students have a safe and positive start to the new academic year.

Yours sincerely Nicola Morland Head of School







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