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Dear parent or carer,

I hope my message finds you safe and well.

It is likely that you will have already heard the news that schools and academies across the country have been asked by the government to arrange for students in school to have a Covid test.

You will no doubt have many questions, all of which we have attempted to answer below.

As always please get in touch if anything is unclear.

How will testing work?

Our students and staff will be offered what are known as lateral flow device tests (LFDT) These devices can help identify people who have high levels of the virus but may not be showing any symptoms. They are quick and convenient, allowing results to be delivered in under 30 minutes.

The tests will be administered by trained personnel and will be carried out in line with our strict safety measures, which include social distancing, good hand and respiratory hygiene and keeping academy spaces well ventilated.

Are the tests compulsory?

Whilst participation is optional, we recommend that students and staff are tested as figures show that one in four people who have COVID-19 never display any symptoms, but may be infectious.

Please return the permission form attached if you wish for your child to receive a test. If you decide not to give permission and there is a positive case in school, your child will need to self-isolate for the 10-day period.

Who should I inform if my child tests positive for the virus?

If your child or someone else within your household tests positive for COVID-19 please let the academy know by emailing the details to theparkerenquiries@e-act.org.uk or by calling 01327-705816

Thank you for your support

We very much appreciate your support.

As always, please get in touch with any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

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