

Dear parent/carer,

As you are aware the in-school testing began on Thursday 4th March, with around 2000 tests being conducted in two days. Since then each year group has been tested twice more, with our final year groups being tested today. We have been delighted with how well the students have engaged with the testing process and it really has been fantastic to be able to open the school to all year groups so quickly.

In line with the government's approach to reopening schools, the responsibility for testing now moves to the students and you as parents for completing the tests at home. The government guidance is for tests to be completed twice per week, once on a Sunday and once in the middle of the week, with 3–5 days between tests.

On Monday and Tuesday this week all students will receive testing packs during Form Time containing three Covid-19 tests; they will receive another pack late next week. Whilst testing is not compulsory we would appreciate it if as many students as possible complete the tests. If your child is not taking the test due to being positive in the last 90 days or other reasons, then simply do not complete the test, we do not need to be specifically contacted.

For this week only, please could students test on the following days as follows:

Tuesday	Year 10, 11
Wednesday	Year 8, 12, 13
Thursday	Year 7, 9

After these first tests all students should test on a Sunday and Wednesday each week.

The students have become proficient in swabbing themselves, with the aid of a mirror, but they will not have completed the actual testing. There are instructions in the pack, but this video link demonstrates the process in full: [Covid test video](#).

Once you have completed the test and waited for 30 minutes for the result to confirm, you should log the result on the government website: www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result.

This data is not shared with school, so we have been asked by the government to also hold our own testing data, to allow us to order further batches of testing kits. Each time you complete a test we would be grateful if you could complete this very quick form: [Reporting results](#).

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If your child tests positive then, in line with the guidance on home testing, you should book for them to take a PCR test asap to confirm the result. Please contact us asap via telephone and email to covidtrack@lymmhigh.org.uk as soon as the home test comes back positive and again once you have received the result from the PCR test.

For any other queries related to testing or if you have issues reporting a result using the Microsoft form, please email covidtesting@lymmhigh.org.uk