

13th December 2021

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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: National Testing Programme

I am sure you are aware that recent Government directives have asked that all secondary schools provide an onsite test for pupils on return in January 2022 to help reduce transmission after a period of mixing over the Christmas holidays.

The testing that we are undertaking in January 2022 will be available for all students and will replace all previous testing as any tests undertaken before January 2022 are now considered to be null and void.

The academy day will start as usual at 8.40am for ALL students and testing will occur at the times detailed below for the different year groups.

The schedule for testing on Tuesday 4th January 2022 is below:

Date	Year group	When	Location	Test at home date
Tuesday 4 th January 2022	Year 7 and 8	7.30am to 8.00am	Main Hall	Friday 7 th January 2022
	Year 9 and 10	8.00am to 8.30am		
	Year 11	8.30am to 9.00am		
	Year 12 and 13	7.30am to 9.00am		

As in September this year, students will test themselves with supervision from trained staff, and results will be known within 15 minutes. The tests are voluntary, but we would strongly encourage everyone to take them to help keep our academy community and families safe from Covid.

Consent – the deadline for returned consent is Wednesday 15th December 2021 5pm

Testing can only be carried out with consent. If you would like your child to be tested on site please can you complete the consent form, all previous consent forms are now null and void. Please click on the relevant link below to complete the online consent form, please note you can opt out at any time.



Students

We continue to advise to test regularly at home and the suggested frequency/days is on a **Wednesday** and on a **Sunday**.

Please find the links for the consent form:

Year 7: <https://forms.gle/H4EwPEZeX9ehLfNi9>

Year 8: <https://forms.gle/95kvmTfXZ63ReHm48>

Year 9: <https://forms.gle/KQ5v9EBiemFxiPop9>

Year 10: <https://forms.gle/uUhGwpvV36QUYXtk9>

Year 11: <https://forms.gle/oEenJyCmmc4TnVYt5>

Year 12: <https://forms.gle/Y9FzW1yTX41TCQWr8>

Year 13: <https://forms.gle/rE4dGMnhEhUWnn8b8>

Casual Admissions: <https://forms.gle/yEjxLBRd1eafYBwk7>

Yours faithfully

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