

16 March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week we will have completed all three tests in school of all consented pupil's and are now moving to home self-testing as per the government guidance. All pupils will receive self-testing kits following their final test in school this week.

Pupils should now move to self-testing twice a week at home, 3-5 days apart. Testing is voluntary but strongly recommended to all who are eligible. Alongside the vaccine, washing hands, wearing face coverings, and maintaining social distancing, rapid testing plays a vital role in reducing transmission rates. Getting into the habit of regular testing as part of our everyday lives will help us all to play our part and do what we can to protect each other. There are a range of resources including step-by-step videos to support you and your child with testing at home available on our school website.

Following the test taken at home is essential you report the results (positive, negative or void to NHS test and trace as per the instructions in the test kit). Please also see below a link to the online form for parents/pupils to report their home COVID-19 test results to the school.

<https://forms.office.com/r/ypekfxSRp0>

It is essential that you inform the school of a positive test immediately by contacting the school on 01670 816 111 or email us at covid@olsb.bhcet.org.uk

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Rhodes
Assistant Headteacher