

CHARLTON SCHOOL

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Principal: Mr A McNaughton

15th March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Further to my email last week regarding home testing, students will be bringing the kits home on the following days after having their third tests in school:

Year 10 and 11 – Monday 15th March Year 7 and 9 – Tuesday 16th March Year 8 – Wednesday 17th March

The Government have launched a variety of videos on utube to support the home testing process, these are available at the following link NHS home testing video demo. Your child will bring home an instruction booklet, this is also available online, it is in English and 12 other languages, and there is an Easy Read version.

How to report test results

When you have carried out the test, you need to record the results on the Government website, using the link here: https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result

We are unable to access the results from the Government website and need you to report them to us directly at the following link, it is a very quick and simple form:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=2s8TOK9SpUy44yMVeXcKukUVAPHX4pVNshvCJ8oFcsFURDIzVEQzM0pFNIBTR1VZUVBNMkE5QVRPQi4u

Should the outcome of the test be positive please call the school at your earliest convenience (01952 386800) and send an email to covid@charlton.uk.com this email will be checked periodically out of school hours.

If the test is positive you must not attend school and your household must self-isolate following Government guidelines. Once you have registered the result with the NHS (link above), you will be given further guidance on what to do next.

If the test is a void result, you should carry out a second test, you need to use a new kit. Do not reuse anything from the first test kit.

If the result is negative, report the results on the NHS and school systems and continue to attend school.

Please remember that home testing for households is still available to supplement the home testing of students. Further details from Telford and Wrekin can be found below:

The twice-weekly test kits in Telford and Wrekin (for people feeling well, with no coronavirus symptoms - in the above-mentioned groups) can be accessed as follows:

By going to a community-test site

You can have a rapid test at one of the three Council-run test sites (in Oakengates, Madeley and Newport) or participating pharmacies. Testing at these sites is assisted, which means you will swab yourself under the supervision of a trained operator. To book a rapid test appointment, go to rapidtest.telford.gov.uk

By collecting a home test kit from an NHS "Test & Trace" site

In Telford and Wrekin, there are 5 NHS "Test & Trace" sites – tests can be collected from these sites between 1pm and 7pm:

- Ironbridge Park and Ride, Off A4169, TF4 3QE
- Legges Way Car Park Legges Way, Madeley, TF7 5UD
- The Place Car Park, The Place New Street, Oakengates, TF2 6ET (*Please note: This is the Walk In Centre on the Car Park, not the rapid test centre at The Place.*)
- Donnington Wood Bowling Club, School Road, Donnington (Telford), TF2 8HU
- Wrekin Road Car Park, Wellington, TF1 1YZ

Anyone aged 18 or over can collect testing kits - there is no need to book an appointment to collect your testing kit, you can just turn up. You can collect up to 4 home test kits, each kit contains 7 tests.

You can check online if the location is busy before you go. Tests can be collected from any of the <u>test</u> centres shown on the NHS map Find your nearest home test kit collection point

By contacting your employer if your employer provides testing

Some employers may be offering rapid testing, please check with your employer to see if this option is available to you.

By ordering online a home test kit

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If you cannot get tested at your workplace, or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can <u>order online</u> a home test kit. Please do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most.

Last week saw a significant drop in the number of coronavirus cases in Telford and Wrekin, this is a whole community effort and needs to continue, so many thanks for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully

Mr A McNaughton

Principal