



LYDIARD PARK ACADEMY

2nd March 2021

Dear Parent/Pupil

We start our Lateral Flow testing for pupils tomorrow and I just wanted to write to you with some of the logistics and procedures which will be required.

Before coming to school:

Pupils do not need to wear uniform but should wear warm clothing as they may need to wait outside for a period time as we have a maximum capacity in the test centre.

Make sure that you bring a face mask with you, along with a spare (it is amazing how many get lost on the way to school!). If you are exempt from wearing a face mask please let the person who registers you know.

Coming to school:

Pupils can walk to school but must not walk with more than one other person and refrain from meeting up with friends. Please enter school through the pedestrian gate by the bike racks on the way in (the pavement to the left when facing the school).

Pupils can cycle to school and should lock their bikes as usual in the bike rack.

Parents may choose to bring the pupils in their car and there will be adequate parking in the main school car park. However, parents will need to remain in their car.

Where to go and registering:

On arrival to school pupils should head to the back of the Old Sports Hall. On Friday Year 9 will head to the New Sports Hall. There will be stewards to guide the pupils.

Pupils will be booked in by the stewards outside the Old Sports Hall and given their registration card and bar code.

The Test:

The test involves a swab of the throat and nose and pupils will be guided through the test procedure by our testers which only takes a couple of minutes. The tester will collect your registration card from you.

Waiting:

Pupils will be required to wait half an hour for their test to be processed. The result which will either be negative, invalid or positive. If the test is negative then pupils will be told that they may leave. If the test is invalid they will be asked to take the test again. If the test is positive they will be asked to wait in a separate room with a member of staff whilst the parents are called to collect them. Parents will receive a text message with the result of the test confirming whether it was negative or positive.



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Leaving:

Once the result has been processed, this takes half an hour, the pupils will leave at the other end of the Old Sports Hall exiting by the New Sports Hall and Sixth Form entrance. Pupils should leave using the pedestrian entrance on the opposite side to the bike racks if leaving on foot or by bike. Pupils should go straight home and not meet up in groups.

Timetable:

Wednesday 3 rd March 21	8.30 – 9.00	Year 13	
	9.15 – 10.15	Year 12	
	10.30 – 11.30	Year 11	B1 & B2
1 Bay	11.30 – 12.30	Year 11	H1
1 Bay	12.30 - 1.30	Year 11	H2
	1.30 – 2.30	Year 11	M1 & M2
	2.30 – 3.30	Year 11	P1 & P2

Thursday 4 th March 21	8.30 – 9.30	Year 10	B1 & B2
	9.30 – 10.30	Year 10	H1 & H2
	11.00 – 12.00	Year 10	M1
1 Bay	12.00 – 1.00	Year 10	M2
1 Bay	1.00 – 2.00	Year 10	P1 & P2
	2.30 – 3.30	Year 7	B1 & B2
	3.30 – 4.30	Year 7	H1 & H2

Friday 5 th March 21	8.30 – 9.30	Year 7	M1 & M2
	9.30 – 10.30	Year 7	P1 & P2
	11.00 – 12.00	Year 8	B1 & B2
1 Bay	12.00 – 1.00	Year 8	H1
1 Bay	1.00 – 2.00	Year 8	H2
	2.00 – 3.00	Year 8	M1 & M2
	3.00 – 4.00	Year 8	P1 & P2

Friday 5 th March 21	8.30 – 9.30	Year 9	B1 & B2
NSH Bay 3	9.30 – 10.30	Year 9	H1 & H2
	11.00 – 12.00	Year 9	M1 & M2
	1.00 – 2.00	Year 9	P1 & P2

This is quite a logistical undertaking, so please bear with us if things run slightly behind.

Kind regards

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