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Dear Parents/Carers

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all students back to school on the 13th April. We would also like to extend our thanks to all the students and their parents/carers who have continued to undertake that Lateral Flow device testing during the Easter holidays.

We would be most grateful if students could continue to test at home, maintaining the routine that they have established, testing on Wednesdays and on Sundays. This will enable us to remain as safe as possible, and, also as far as possible, to avoid having to close any groups or bubbles. More tests will be made available to students on their return to school.

There will be very few tests continuing in school and the government guidance surrounding the use of the Lateral Flow Test devices has again changed. Please be advised that ALL Lateral Flow Tests (whether taken at home or in school) which produce a positive result must now be followed up by a confirmatory PCR test. There are local testing sites at the Showground (drive-through) or Gladstone Street (walk-through) and bookings can be made by following this [link](#):

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

As you have been doing, the result of each test still needs to be reported to both the school and to NHS Test and Trace. This can be done via www.testregister.co.uk as follows:

1. Go to www.testregister.co.uk, click on login.
2. Type in the email address registered with the school.
3. You will receive an email with a login link to the results site (if this does not appear, please check in your junk folder).
4. Once the result has been submitted to TestRegister, you will be automatically provided with the link to the NHS site.

If you experience problems with this website, as an alternative, please communicate your result to the school by following this [link](#):

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/DesignPage.aspx?origin=OfficeDotCom&route=OfficeHome&lang=en-GB#FormId=nowK81Jo8E2Ms5kmm08dZpVPpb-CAkIOmI9G20iXwldURFU0V0dYUDI3WkIRQUIQNTdITjNDS0pYTC4u>

There is also a link to the NHS website on this form.

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The government also confirmed that face coverings should continue to be worn in secondary school and college classrooms as a precautionary measure when students return after the Easter holiday. All our students have been amazing and taken full responsibility when wearing their face coverings. QKA will be continuing to follow the government guidance in the summer term.

Again, thank you for your support in this and if you have any questions regarding testing or face coverings, please do not hesitate to contact jo.hammond@qka.education

Yours sincerely



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