



31 March 2021

Dear Parent/ Carer,

I would like to begin with thanking everyone for their support and resilience in what has been a challenging time. We have seen, at school, how eager and determined our students have been to move forward with their learning and we are appreciative of your support with this.

We will continue to keep our community safe, by following the government's guidelines which are set out below:

- Through the holidays, students and staff must continue to test twice a week at home. We suggest this is every Wednesday & Sunday
- Report positive, negative or void results using <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>
- Students and staff must take their last test the night before returning to school.
- A positive lateral flow test results means the person needs to self-isolate, and book in for a follow-up PCR test to confirm the results, following the NHS guidelines.

If your child tests positive *before* Sunday 4th April

If your child tests positive for Covid-19 using a Lateral Flow Test (LFT) *before* Sunday 4th April, you must inform the school as well as reporting the result on the 'report a lateral flow test result portal'. Then you must follow this up with a PCR test to confirm the result and again contact the school.

In order to contact the school, please use the following email address: admin@longhill.org.uk

If your child tests positive *on or after* Sunday 4th April:

If your child tests positive for Covid-19 ***on Sunday 4th April or after that day,*** you must still report the result on the 'report a lateral flow test result portal', but you do not need to contact the school. Only contact the school if their self-isolation date means they cannot return to school on the first day back - this can be undertaken the evening before school opens.

We will be issuing students with two boxes of testing kits (six tests in total) tomorrow (Thursday 1 April). Parent/carers can obtain their own testing kits via the NHS website if you wish to do so.

I wish you a very happy and restful Easter break.

Take care

Kate Williams
Headteacher