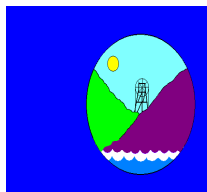


LINGDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Hello everyone,

I hope that this message finds you all safe and well. The government have stated that up to 1 in 3 people are asymptomatic for the covid virus (they have no symptoms) and are at risk of transmitting the virus to others. Therefore, they have asked primary schools to prepare to take part in STAFF COVID TESTING. This will involve voluntary participation from staff to take part in lateral flow covid tests twice a week.

These tests produce a result in 30 minutes which will indicate whether a staff member with no symptoms is either negative or positive. If a positive test is received then close contacts will be required to self isolate until the staff member undertakes a PCR test to confirm if the individual is positive for covid (undertaken at testing centres.)

The government have asked that testing should start as soon as possible. Staff at Lingdale Primary School will take their first tests on Sunday 31st January 2021.

Please be reassured that this testing is for staff only, not pupils.

The main reason I am writing to you is to let you know that should a member of staff receive a positive lateral flow test result and they have been in contact with your child in the prior 48 hours, then your child will be asked to self isolate whilst the PCR test is undertaken. Should a negative PCR test result be received, we will welcome your child back to school right away. Should the PCR test be positive then your child will need to follow self isolation rules for ten days from their last contact. We will inform you as soon as we can in these circumstances and confirm the dates involved.

We are bound by data protection regulations and unable to identify individuals who these tests results relate to.

We are very much looking forward to the day that we can welcome all of our children back into school. Let us hope that this lateral flow testing will help this happen a little sooner.

Keep safe,

Mrs Thornton (Headteacher)