



## To Aspire, Endeavour and Thrive Together

Dear Parent/Carer,

From September 2021, your child is invited to take part in the National Covid-19 testing programme. We have been running this successfully since students' returned to school after the Winter lockdown. However, we know that this is new to our new Year 7s.

Please see details of the testing programme on the DfE website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-asymptomatic-testing-in-schools-and-colleges/coronavirus-covid-19-asymptomatic-testing-in-schools-and-colleges?priority-taxonomy=b350e61d-1db9-4cc2-bb44-fab02882ac25>

We also have details about our testing centre on our website here:

<https://www.glossopdale.school/Student-Covid-19-Testing-programme/>

We have also attached some information so that you can discuss with your child how the test works. Children under the age of 16 require consent from their parent or carer, students who are 16 or over can consent themselves.

Students will be tested twice in school. The first test will take place prior to their return to school. For Year 7 students, this will be on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Students will attend only for the test and do not need to wear school uniform.

You will receive an email with a time slot for your child. This will take place in the Sports Hall. They should arrive and walk around the back of the school from the car park (towards the entrance to The Place) and wait outside the Sports Hall, following the instructions of the members of staff.

Parents may attend with their children but they cannot enter the Sports Hall. You will not be able to use the car park to drop students off, or to park and wait for your child. Where possible, please attend on foot.

Students will be given a card with a QR code to take home; you must scan this code and enter your child's details on the NHS website. If your child's test is positive, the school will inform you. If the test is negative, this will be indicated once you have scanned in the QR code.

The second test will take place during the school day once students have returned.

If your child tests positive, they will need to self-isolate for 10 days and follow government guidance.

Please review the attached details and then complete the form below. We need you to complete the form whether or not you are providing consent. It is essential that you read the Terms of Consent and the Privacy Notice so that you are clear exactly what you are providing consent for, and why we are collecting the data that you enter into the form.

<https://www.glossopdale.school/covidconsent/>

Until the end of September, all students in secondary schools will be asked to carry out twice weekly home testing. We will provide testing kits for students in the first week of term.

If you have any other queries, please email [info@glossopdale.school](mailto:info@glossopdale.school)

Kind regards,

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