



Parent Newsletter

St Mary Magdalene Secondary

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Dear Parent/Carers,

Further to my letter sent to you on Friday, I write to you with the final plans for our phased return to school, beginning next week Monday 8th March. The Local Authority have changed their offer in terms of lateral flow tests, and as such, we have had to amend our plans for testing.

The most important change is that we will test some students this week on Friday 5th March. This will enable us to welcome some students back to lessons on Monday 8th March. The remaining students will be tested on Tuesday 9th March and then return to lessons on Wednesday. Please note, regardless of which year groups return to face to face learning first, all families of key workers will still be able to attend school within our school Hub – much like they are doing at the moment.

Date	Year groups having lateral flow tests	Year groups in lessons	Key workers' families
Friday 5 March 2021	Year 7, Year 10, Year 11 - scheduled Asymptomatic Testing for COVID-19 by appointment only in school: students will be tested and then return straight home (approx. 30 mins). Year 7 = 8.00am to 10.30am Year 10 = 11.00am – 1.30pm Year 11 = 2.00pm – 4.30pm *See page 2 for full breakdown	None. Remote learning continues for all year groups. <i>(Except current arrangements in place with children of critical workers and vulnerable children)</i>	Ongoing in the Hub
Monday 8 March 2021	No lateral flow tests	Years 7, 10 and 11 only in school for face-to-face teaching at their normal start time. Remote learning for Years 8 and 9 who remain at home.	Ongoing in the Hub
Tuesday 9 March 2021	Lateral tests pm only: Year 8 = 12.30pm – 2.35pm Year 9 = 2.45pm – 4.30pm *See page 2 for full breakdown	Years 7, 10 and 11 only in school for face-to-face teaching at their normal start time. Remote learning for Year 8 and 9 (as well as lateral tests)	Ongoing in the Hub
Wednesday 10 March 2021	Year 7, 10 and 11 to have their second Lateral tests in school	Return for all students for face-to-face teaching at their normal start time.	No longer necessary

Please note, students will receive their second and third lateral flow tests between Wednesday 10th March and Friday 19th March.

Plan for school-based lateral flow tests

Students should **arrive at the times below**, along with other members of their family groups.

Friday- 05/03/2021 (Group 1)		
8am	7MFH	7CDK
8.30am	7JAN	
9am	7TPL	
9.30am	7ECO	
10am	7SJS	
11am	10TTD	10RGT
11.30am	10LHN	
12pm	10SHA	
12.30pm	10CHS	
1pm	10ZAI	
2pm	11AHN	11DOE
2.30pm	11KMS	
3pm	11GME	
3.30pm	11GIN	
4pm	11EBA	

Tuesday- 09/03/2021 (Group 2)		
12.30pm	8RCY	8LKM
12.55pm	8FPA	
1.20pm	8EWY	
1.45pm	8DME	
2.10pm	8AML	
2.45pm	9JBN	9AOU
3.10pm	9SCY	
3.35pm	9BBN	
4.00pm	9MMR	9JJN

Further testing dates		
Wednesday 10th March	Group 1 (Second round)	
Monday 15th March	Group 2 (Second round)	

Students: It is really important to arrive on time as other Family groups will be getting tested before and after you.

Just to reinforce my message from last week, please do ensure your child has face covering for their return to school (including the testing) as they will not be allowed in school without this, unless they are exempt. I thank those of you who have emailed to say your children are exempt; however, I must stress that medical proof is required for us to authorise this.

Thank you for your continued messages of support. We are very much looking forward to having our students back and it will be a joy to see them all.

Sincerely

Mr R Hussain
Principal