

## De La Salle School

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Headteacher: Mr P Norris L.L.B (Hons), MA, NPOH

I would like to thank all those participating in the lateral flow process as this greatly helps to insure the school remains Covid secure and open to deliver face to face teaching to your son or daughter. It is very evident since returning on the 8<sup>th</sup> March students have engaged positively with their learning; seeing friends has gone a long way to support their mental wellbeing.

The lateral flow testing programme closely monitors the test register website. It has come to my attention that an increasing number of individuals are not registering their result on or correctly with the test register website. If you are still continuing to have access problems with this website the link is attached below:

## https://testregister.co.uk/

The test register website will then directly connect you to the NHS Track and Trace result site. Whilst inputting your result to test register it is very important that you take time to check you have entered your results correctly. The school receives an immediate notification of any positive result via the test register, the NHS Track and Trace is treated separately. The test register is a vital tool as an immediate alert allows the school to act on this information so that all individuals that need to self-isolate receive the message promptly.

New lateral flow test kits will be issued in the coming fortnight. If you need a new test kit beforehand please contact the school. If your son or daughter has not yet given consent but would now like to participate in the programme, please see myself for the consent forms.

If there are issues with the test kits or there is an incident related to taking the tests, please note the following:

Clinical issue (e.g. swab breaking in the mouth, bleeding or an allergic reaction) If there is a clinical incident which led to, or has potential for harm, participants are advised to report it on https://coronavirus-yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk This is not for seeking immediate medical care. Medical care should be sought through the usual route of contacting 111 or 999.

**Non-clinical issue (e.g. missing items from the test kits)** For incidents occurring at home, participants are advised to report any issues (something damaged, or missing or difficult to use in the kit, unable to log result etc.) to 119 in England, Wales, Northern Ireland and 0300 303 2713 for Scotland

**Inform the Education Setting** Participants should inform their education setting about ongoing test-related problems, so that they can check if this is a wider issue across other users. So far, the testing process has been a huge success and take up of testing has been very high. Thank you once again for everything you have done and continue to do to support the school to help keep it as safe as possible for both students and staff.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. P. Futcher

**Covid 19 Coordinator**