



5th March 2021

Headteacher's Weekly Roundup Newsletter: Week 22

Dear Parent/Carer,

We can't wait for students to return to school

Letters detailing each start or each year group were sent home this week both electronically and by the post. Below is a start time and gate summary:

	Start Date	Start Time	Entrance Gate
Year 13	Monday 8 th March 2021	8.30am	Top Gate at Reception
Year 12	Monday 8 th March 2021	8.30am	Top Gate at Reception
Year 11	Tuesday 9 th March 2021	8.55am	Bessingby Road – Side Gate
Year 10	Tuesday 9 th March 2021	8.55am	Top Gate at Reception
Year 9	Wednesday 10 th March 2021	8.55am	St Johns Avenue – Bottom Gate
Year 8	Wednesday 10 th March 2021	8.30am	St Johns Avenue – Bottom Gate
Year 7	Wednesday 10 th March 2021	8.30am	Bessingby Road – Side Gate

Students need to attend on their return to school date in full uniform. Any issues with uniform or face coverings please contact the pastoral team.

As we are using our PE facilities for lateral flow testing for the next few weeks all PE lessons will be outside. In addition to full PE kits, just a reminder that students can also wear plain navy or black jumpers or tracksuit tops.

Lateral Flow Tests in School:

Details of dates for specific year groups was also posted and emailed home in the midweek letter.

Lateral Flow Test 1 timings at the Sports Hall:

MONDAY 8 th MARCH	
Year 13*	9am to 9.30am
Year 12*	9.30am to 10am
Year 11	10am to 11.30am
Year 10	12 noon to 1.30pm

TUESDAY 9 th MARCH	
Year 9	9am to 10.30am
Year 8	10.30am to 12 noon
Year 7	12 noon to 1.30pm

WEDNESDAY 10 th MARCH
Catch Up These will be by appointment only because the whole school population will have returned to school.

For a student to receive a test parental consent must have been given before the test is taken.



Year 12 and 13 will need to bring a face covering and their mobile phone.
Year 7-11 do not need to wear uniform to come for a test then leave site.

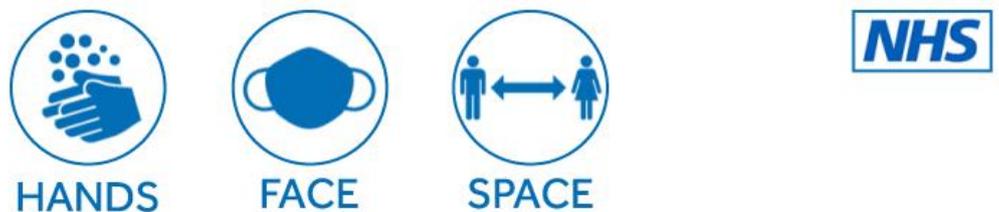
Here is a video I have put together to show you how to get to our test centre and what to do when you are there. <https://youtu.be/hXRqIDMNqI4>

Lateral Flow Testing at Home Update:

Staff will start twice weekly lateral flow testing at home next week.

We are expecting a delivery of student home test kits week beginning 15th March which we will be able to give to students after they have completed their third test.

Please reinforce with your child that Lateral Flow testing is another tool help to break the chains of transmission alongside existing systems of controls. A negative lateral flow test result is great but it is not a “green light” to take more risky behaviours, we must still follow our Covid Safe Procedures, Practices and routines. Hands, Face, Space.



Lateral Flow Testing for over 18s living in the same household as a student

NHS Test and Trace announced earlier this week, that all adults in households with school and college age children without symptoms can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing.

Tests can be accessed in 3 ways:

1. through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
2. by collecting a home test kit from a local test site – anyone aged 18 or over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests. The one nearest to school is:
Moorfield Road Car Park
Bridlington
Bridlington
YO16 4LE

Use this link to find out opening times for test collection <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/findatestcenter.html>

3. by ordering a home test kit online – please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any queries about the tests, and you live in England, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm.

Please do not use the lateral flow test school is providing for your child.

We will only be given enough stock for students.



Updated guidance on what happens if I get a positive lateral flow test from a home test?

You would self-isolate after your positive lateral flow home test result and take a PCR test. The rest of your household would isolate until the results from the PCR test come back.

Update – *If the PCR test comes back as negative, you will be able to stop self-isolating and return to school / work.*

Updated guidance on Lateral flow testing for anyone who has recently had a positive PCR test.

You should not take a lateral flow test until 90 days after you tested positive for Covid 19. If you contact school once your child nears the end of the 90 days we can provide a home test kit if required.

Year 9 Options

Thank you for supporting your child in completing their GCSE option choices. When your child returns to school, we will start 1-to-1 appointments to talk through the choices made as well as discuss future career goals. This is an exciting time for your child, and we hope they are excited to move on to study at GCSE level and look forward to what their future holds. We appreciate that for some, thinking about the future can be daunting so our 1-to-1 appointments will help to alleviate any concerns your child has. This process continues well into the Summer Term.

Year 12 & 13 Parents Carers Evening

On Thursday 11th March we are hosting our Sixth Form virtual parents evening using a platform called 'Parents Booking'. You have received a letter via email outlining the process for the evening along with joining instructions. Each appointment will last 8 minutes and will be a video call between you, your child and their teacher. There is an automatic shut off after 8 minutes with a 1-minute gap between appointments. We are looking forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Since sending the letter there have been some minor tweaks to staffing for the evening so, please do double check your appointments if you have already made some.

To sign up and book appointments please follow this link:

<https://parents-booking.co.uk/bridlingtonschool>

Covid-19 Symptoms

It is really important that you keep your child off school if they or anyone in your household is showing symptoms of Covid-19 or is waiting for a test and your household self-isolates:

- A new and continuous cough
- High Temperature
- Loss or change in sense of taste or smell

Please do inform the school if anyone in your household has symptoms, is awaiting a test or has tested positive by calling 01262 607393 or emailing office@bridlingtonschool.org.uk.

As always should you have any questions, queries or concerns please do contact us on office@bridlingtonschool.org.uk and we will do all we can to help.

Yours sincerely,



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