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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a positive start back to school and I am pleased to report all the children have settled back in well. Thank you to all those who responded to our recent survey. I will use this information to share with the staff and Governors and make the refinements we can following your suggestions. We are always work under the government guidance and have to follow the protocol that they set for us. Our school risk assessment and covid strategy reflects this.

We have some update news for you. The Government have recently announced that all adults in households with children who attend primary and secondary school and college, including childcare and support bubbles, will be able to test themselves for coronavirus twice a week at home.

RAPID FLOW TESTING FOR HOUSEHOLDS AND BUBBLES OF SCHOOL PUPILS

The twice-weekly home test kits can be accessed by the following means:

- via your employer if they offer testing to employees
- at a local test site
- by collecting a home test kit from a test site
- by ordering a home test kit online

Details of local test sites can be found on the following web page - <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/>

The Riverboats Children's Centre, based on our school site, is also looking at setting up a distribution hub for collection of the tests and, if we succeed in this, further details will follow.

If you would like to read the Government announcement in full please follow this link:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/all-households-with-children-of-school-aged-to-get-rapid-covid-19-tests-per-person-per-week>

If you would like to read the guidance on rapid flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils in full please follow this link:
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

Yours sincerely,

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