



CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Students and Families

We hope you and your families are well at this time.

It has been an eventful academic year and we are sure that both students and staff are looking forward to a restful and healthy summer.

Recent Government guidance outlines the requirement for lateral flow testing on site when students return to school in September. Please see guidance <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/schools-covid-19-operational-guidance> Students are required to take two on site tests, 3-5 days apart.

In order to minimise disruption to the start of term, we will be carrying out lateral flow tests on school site from 1 September 2021. The table below indicates the date for each year group:

Date	AM (9.00-11.00)	PM (12.00-3.00)
Wednesday 1 September	Year 8	Year 11
Thursday 2 September	Year 9	Year 10
Friday 3 September	Year 7 (transition day)	

Post 16 students will be contacted separately.

Siblings can be tested together on the allocation of the eldest child's day.

Parents will be contacted during the holidays with further details.

If you are unable to attend on the allocated dates, please contact the school via telephone. Students arriving on site from 6 September who have not received a lateral flow test will be tested before joining their lessons.

Consent forms used for testing in March 2021 will carry forward for September.

Testing is not compulsory and students do not have to participate. However, we do encourage participation to avoid further self-isolation and disruption to learning in September.

Wishing all our families a safe and restful summer.

Yours faithfully

Ms E O'Connor
Headteacher

Mrs T Boland
Chair of the Local Governing Body

