

March 2021

Dear Families,

As you are aware school finishes for the Easter break at the usual time 2:50pm on Thursday April 1 2021, returning to school on Tuesday 20 April 2021 blue week. Please note that learners are not in school on Monday 19 April, as this is a calendared INSET day.

Unfortunately Covid is still with us, and consequently whilst our onsite mass testing operations have now ended, since Sunday 21 March all learners are now being expected to regularly test themselves at home for coronavirus. All learners, regardless of whether they consented to the onsite testing programme were provided with two boxes of home testing kits to take home with them, each containing three Lateral Flow Device tests, which was enough for three weeks' worth of testing twice per week.

Over the Easter holidays there will be an expectation that learners continue to test themselves twice weekly and again on either the evening of Monday 19 April or the morning of Tuesday 20 April before they set off for school.

On Wednesday 31 March your child will bring home a box containing 7 tests. This will provide your child with enough home tests for the holidays and the first two weeks of the new term.

Members of the Senior Leadership Team will continue to respond to and action any confirmed cases of coronavirus in the school community which are reported. In so doing, we will follow our usual process of identifying the confirmed case's infectious period, identifying any close contacts during this period and notifying the families of close contacts via text and email of the need for their child to self-isolate.

After school closes at 2:50pm on Thursday 1 April, families should notify school of any positive test results via the school's dedicated email address:

covid@lhs.aspireplus.org.uk

We hope our whole school community has the safe, happy and healthy Easter break, which we all deserve after an exceptionally difficult term. We look forward to seeing learners back in school on Tuesday 20 April 2021 blue week for the summer term.

Should you have any questions about the above then please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs J Willis (Assistant Headteacher)

