

15th December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Testing for COVID 19 before returning to school

The Department for Education has issued guidance for all pupils to take a COVID 19 test before returning to school in January 2022. All pupils are asked to test the night before or the morning of their first day back. This means we are asking you to ensure your child has taken a test on either the **evening of Wednesday 5**th **January 2022** or the morning of **Thursday 6**th **January 2022**.

You will need to report your result to NHS Track and Trace and to Spa Bermondsey.

The link for NHS is: <u>https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result</u>

The link for Spa Bermondsey is:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=QutFECwftkGOatrhqObzeDEikIEHWLdHtBDJcn4I j3NUNIBPMUIIN09NSktHSkE1Q0FWMzNIQUxMOSQIQCN0PWcu

Or you can scan the QR code



Information about ordering more home testing kits can be found here: <u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regular-rapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/</u>

If your child has a positive test, you must inform NHS Track and Trace and School immediately. You will need to book a PCR test to confirm the positive result, however the household and all close contacts will need to isolate following government guidelines. If the PCR result comes back negative, the isolation can end.

If you have any questions about the test, you can e mail us at <u>office@spa-education.org</u> or call 0207 237 3714.

We will send out reminder texts during the Christmas break and on 5th January. If you need help administering or registering your tests please get in touch and we can help.

Yours sincerely,

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