

Advice on lateral flow tests at the end of the school term from Trafford Public Health

- We have seen an increase in cases within Trafford in school staff, children and young people. As a precaution, we are recommending all pupils aged 5 years old and over and all staff take daily LFD tests for 7 days following the end of the school term. This will help quickly identify whether pupils or staff have contracted COVID-19 and will help to keep families safe over the festive break
- You can collect LFD tests from many places in Trafford as well as having them delivered to your house. Please follow visit the government website to see where you can get a test: www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests
- If your child's LFD test result is positive, your child must isolate for 10 days and should take a PCR test which can be booked via www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or by calling 119. If the LFD test result is negative, your child can continue normal activities. Children aged under 5 years old are not advised to take daily LFD tests
- If at any point your child develops symptoms or feels unwell, please book a PCR test even if they have had a negative LFD test
- If a person is asked to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace and is on a low income, unable to work from home and will lose income as a result, they may be entitled to a payment of £500 from their local authority under the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme. Further details are available via www.gov.uk/test-and-trace-support-payment