

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are looking forward to welcoming all our students back in January for the spring term, after what will hopefully have been a restful and joyous Christmas break.

As part of the return to school, in line with the current government advice, we will be offering a lateral flow test to all students before they return to classes in school in January.

Testing

All students will be offered a lateral flow test, in school. This will take place the day before your child's year group returns to school. On the day of the test students will only attend school for their test and will return home immediately after taking the test. The next school day they will attend school as normal. Students will continue to be offered home testing kits to be completed twice a week and the results recorded electronically. Testing is not however compulsory, and if a student does not wish to have a test, they will return to face to face learning along with their year group.

If you have previously given consent for lateral flow tests, such as for the testing in March or September, you do not need to give consent again this time. If you have not previously given consent for these tests but wish to, there will be paper copies of the form available at your child's test appointment or, if you prefer, please contact the school and we will send you an electronic copy. We will not be able to offer a test to any student who we do not have consent for, either from parents/carers for those under 16 or from the student themselves if they are over 16. If you wish to withdraw your consent, please contact the school to let us know.

The appointment times for the tests are given at the end of this letter. Please do not attend school until your allocated time slot. We would appreciate it if you would accompany your child to their test, as this will also remind you how the tests are administered and will help with the home testing kits that students will subsequently be given. It is expected that children aged 11 years and older will administer their own test and staff will be available to support them in this.

Please note if your child has tested positive for COVID19 in the last 90 days then they should not have a lateral flow test.

Testing will be done over several days and will fit around the staggered start to the new school year.

Year group	Date of COVID test	Date of return to school
Year 7	Thursday 6 th January 2022	Friday 7 th January 2022
Year 8	Thursday 6 th January 2022	Friday 7 th January 2022
Year 9	Thursday 6 th January 2022	Friday 7 th January 2022
Year 10	Wednesday 5 th January 2022	Thursday 6 th January 2022
Year 11	Wednesday 5 th January 2022	Thursday 6 th January 2022
Year 12	Wednesday 5 th January 2022	Thursday 6 th January 2022
Year 13	Wednesday 5 th January 2022	Thursday 6 th January 2022

We will continue to update you with further information as we receive it.

Yours faithfully

Emma Jackson
Head Teacher



Please see below for the appointment times for your child's tutor group. If you have children in different year groups you may bring them all together to the first appointment.

Wednesday 5th January 2022	
Year 10	
Tutor Group	Time slot
10 Bernadette	08:45
10 John Paul	09:00
10 Bosco	09:15
10 Kolbe	09:30
10 Carlo	09:45
10 Teresa	10:00
10 Josephine	10:15
Year 11	
11 Bernadette	10:30
11 John Paul	10:45
11 Bosco	11:00
11 Josephine	11:15
11 Chiara	11:30
11 Kolbe	11:45
11 Carlo	12:00
11 Teresa	12:15
Years 12 & 13	
Bede	12:30
Catherine	13:30
Isidore	13:45
Hildegard	14:00
Therese	14:15
Ephrem	14:30
Thomas	14:45
Thursday 6th January 2022	
Year 7	
7 Bernadette	08:45
7 Bosco	09:00
7 Carlo	09:15
7 Chiara	09:30
7 John Paul	09:45
7 Josephine	10:00
7 Kolbe	10:15
7 Teresa	10:30
Year 8	
8 Bernadette	10:45
8 John Paul	11:00
8 Bosco	11:15
8 Chiara	11:30
8 Carlo	11:45
8 Kolbe	12:00
8 Teresa	12:15
8 Josephine	12:30
Year 9	
9 Bernadette	13:30
9 John Paul	13:45
9 Bosco	14:00
9 Chiara	14:15
9 Kolbe	14:30
9 Carlo	14:45
9 Teresa	15:00
9 Josephine	15:15



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