



QUEEN'S PARK HIGH SCHOOL

19th August 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

September Asymptomatic testing – update

I hope you are all having a wonderful summer. Whilst I hoped my first letter to you would be about education, as we continue to work through the unique challenges the pandemic has brought, I am writing to inform you about COVID testing for our safe return.

Following the announcement in July by the Department for Education, we will be re-introducing in school mass testing when pupils return to school in September, in a similar way to when we returned in March.

As pupils will potentially mix with lots of other people during the summer holidays, the advice is that all secondary school students should receive 2 on-site lateral flow device tests, 3 to 5 days apart, on their return in the autumn term.

Our testing programme is set out on the next page.

The tests that we will be using are new and no longer require the back of the throat to be swabbed – pupils need to swab both nostrils instead – which I am sure will be a welcome development. Once your child has tested they must leave the site. Positive cases will be notified to you via the NHS test and trace system.

If you have consented to your child being tested in the past then this consent will be carried forward for September. If you have not previously given consent but would like your child to participate, please follow this link to complete the consent form by Wednesday 25th August. We cannot test your child without you completing a consent form.

<https://forms.office.com/r/FMhpumHsHL>

Once this initial phase of testing is completed, students should continue to test twice weekly at home until further advice is given.

Your child does not need to have taken a test before starting at school in September, but we highly recommend taking part in these testing days for the safety of the whole school community.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your support during these difficult times, we have worked hard as a community to keep education running and this is hopefully one of the last hurdles we must tackle in returning to normality.

Have a great last few weeks of the summer break.

Yours Sincerely

Mr T Kearns
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Tuesday 31st August 2021	Theatre Bar ATS	A4 (Art) ATS
08:30 – 09:30	New Year 9 From Sept (Last Name A-G)	New Year 8 From Sept (Last Name A-G)
09:30 – 10:30	New Year 9 From Sept (Last Name H-N)	New Year 8 From Sept (Last Name H-O)
10:30 – 11:30	New Year 9 From Sept (Last Name O-T)	New Year 8 From Sept (Last Name P-Z) New Year 11 From Sept (Last Name A-C)
11:30 – 12:30	New Year 9 From Sept (Last Name U-Z) New Year 10 From Sept (Last Name A-D)	New Year 11 From Sept (Last Name D-S)
13:00 – 14:00	New Year 10 From Sept (Last Name E-Ma)	New Year 11 From Sept (Last Name T-Z) New Year 13 From Sept (Last Name A-K)
14:00 – 15:00	New Year 10 From Sept (Last Name Mc-Z)	New Year 13 From Sept (Last Name L-Z)
15:00 – 16:00	New Year 12 From Sept (Last Name A-L)	New Year 12 From Sept (Last Name M-Z)

Wednesday 1st September 2021	Theatre Bar ATS	
13:00 – 14:00	New Year 7 From Sept (Last Name A-H)	
14:00 – 15:00	New Year 7 From Sept (Last Name I-Q)	
15:00 – 16:00	New Year 7 From Sept (Last Name R-Z)	

Friday 3rd September 2021	Theatre Bar ATS	A4 (Art) ATS
08:30 – 09:30	New Year 12 From Sept (Last Name A-L)	New Year 12 From Sept (Last Name M-Z)
09:30 – 10:30	New Year 10 From Sept (Last Name Mc-Z)	New Year 13 From Sept (Last Name L-Z)
10:30 – 11:30	New Year 10 From Sept (Last Name E-Ma)	New Year 13 From Sept (Last Name A-K) New Year 11 From Sept (Last Name T-Z)
11:30 – 12:30	New Year 10 From Sept (Last Name A-D) New Year 9 From Sept (Last Name U-Z)	New Year 11 From Sept (Last Name D-S)
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14:00 – 15:00	New Year 9 From Sept (Last Name H-N)	New Year 8 From Sept (Last Name H-O)
15:00 – 16:00	New Year 9 From Sept (Last Name A-G)	New Year 8 From Sept (Last Name A-G)

Monday 6th September 2021	
Normal School Day	New Year 7 students will take their second test (where consent is given) throughout the normal school day.