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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to confirm that as of this morning all students have successfully returned to their lessons. I am also pleased to share that all testing has thus far been negative.

You may be aware that NHS Test and Trace announced earlier last week, that all adults in households with school age children without symptoms can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. By undertaking regular (twice weekly), rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing helps reduce transmission of the virus. I attach a FAQ with offers parents detail and information.

The test kits for families are **not provided via St Crispin's**. There are however a number of ways for families to collect their test to take at home:

- Individuals, who are households/support bubbles of children and cannot work from home, may have access to onsite workplace testing and should enquire with their employer.
- Attend their local community testing site, which can be found via their council website or the [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) postcode checker: <https://www.gov.uk/find-covid-19-lateral-flow-test-site>
- Rapid lateral flow self-test kits can be collected from more than 500 local and regional test sites. Find the nearest at <https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/> Test sites are open for the collection of tests from 13:30-19:00, seven days a week.
- For those who cannot access these options a new online ordering service has a supply of test kits for home delivery. visit www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests

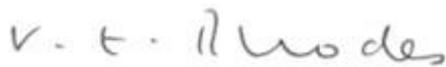
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If you have any queries about the tests, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm.

Finally, I note that the weather tomorrow is going to be particularly inclement. I know that many students resist wearing coats or bringing umbrellas but on this occasion I would strongly encourage that, they do. Our current Covid Secure arrangements mean that although students have access to covered outside areas we do not have enough sufficiently large inside areas during our breaks. Equally our students who are mass testing do need to queue (for truthfully just 5 mins or so) outside of the gym and there is no covered area for this queue and the wind expected tomorrow will be quite beyond our gazebos!

Yours faithfully,



Ms Rhodes

Headteacher