



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the Coronavirus news over the weekend I wanted to write and reassure you that we are making sure all classes are doing the following in school:

1. Ensuring good hygiene for everyone.
2. Maintaining appropriate cleaning regimes.
3. Keeping occupied spaces well ventilated with the help of our CO2 machines
4. All staff and visitors wearing face coverings in communal areas
5. Following public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.

I wanted to write today to ask for your help in mitigating the risk of COVID cases in school even further. LFT tests are key in identifying cases as early as possible and I wanted to ask you all to regularly test your child. If you could test them on a Sunday evening or a Monday morning and then on a Wednesday evening or Thursday morning it would really help us to identify cases as early as possible.

The tests are easy to order online <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> and are delivered to your home within 24 hours. You can order a new pack each day which means that you can test as often as you need to.

I know many of you have been doing this anyway but I really wanted to try to get as many parents and carers as possible to support us with the testing.

I really do appreciate your support and to thank you for going out of your way to do this for us.

Yours faithfully,

Helen Armstrong
Headteacher