

19 March 2020

Good Afternoon,

Testing at Home

Your child will have brought a COVID-19 lateral flow test kit home today unless they are currently self-isolating (if so, test kits are available to collect from reception).

The test kits have 6 swabs inside to do 6 tests which should last your child until the Easter holidays. There is now an expectation to continue to test over the holiday period so further kits will be supplied in due course.

Each student is asked to self-test **twice a week**, ideally before they come into school in the morning. However, the government understands that this may be challenging, so you may wish to do the testing the evening before, such as **every Sunday and Wednesday night**, as you need to allow about 5 minutes to conduct the test and 30 minutes for the results. **Your child should not conduct their first test until 3 to 4 days after the date of their in-school test this week.** Students should be supervised by an adult but can swab themselves at home. There is no need to keep used test equipment after the test result has been reported. Your child can put it in your normal bin (household waste).

If someone tests positive for Covid-19 from a lateral flow device used at home they should self-isolate but access a confirmatory PCR test. If the confirmatory PCR is positive they and their household (and any close contacts) should complete their self-isolation. If the confirmatory PCR is negative self-isolation can stop.

Attached to this email is a PowerPoint to give you instructions of how to do the tests at home. Mrs Waite has also made a video which shows you what to do and how to log your child's result. There are also instructions inside of the test kit box.

The whole video of process from start to end can be found here:

<https://youtu.be/JeWrtNtbaSc>

Any questions or queries that you may have don't hesitate to email enquiries@cvea.co.uk

Homework Club

Our broad and balanced extra-curricular programme was officially reintroduced on Monday 15th March with over 40 clubs and activities available to students. The latest addition to our extra-curricular offer is homework club for years 7-10. The purpose of this club is to provide a quiet and supportive space with a staff member present to support students whilst completing their homework. Please click on the link to see the key details of all the clubs that are on offer for students:

<https://www.castleviewenterpriseacademy.co.uk/the-academy/students/extra-curricular-activities/>

