

## Guru Nanak Multi Academy Trust Ltd

Incorporating:
Nanaksar Primary School &
Guru Nanak Sikh Academy
Founder – Sant Baba Amar Singh Ji

10th September 2021

**Dear Parent** 

**RE: Covid Home Testing** 

Following the completion of the Lateral Flow Device (LFD) tests in school this week, students will be provided with LFD self-testing kits to enable them to test twice a week at home.

We understand that each child has individual needs. Many children will adapt to testing becoming part of their routine, others will find it more challenging. Taking part in testing is voluntary and all children will still be able to attend school whether they take part or not. We hope that the option to take the test will support families to test at home.

We would like students to take their tests on Saturday and Wednesday evening each week and record the results via the NHS website below. Your child should commence self-testing on <u>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September</u>.

A leaflet giving instructions on how to do the test will be given with the test kit. There is also a useful video to show you how to take the test <a href="here.">here.</a>

<u>Help and support is available</u>, including instructions in different languages on how to test and report the results. There is no need to keep used test equipment. After the test result has been reported, you can put it in your normal bin (household waste).

This does not replace symptomatic testing. If you have symptoms, you should self-isolate immediately, book a PCR test and follow guidelines. If you forget to take a LFD test, take the test as soon as you remember. Please help your child to ensure they have sufficient time to take their test so that they can travel to and attend school on time as usual.

## **Positive LFD Test Result**

If your child receives a positive test result following the LFD test, they should self-isolate immediately in line with NHS Test and Trace guidance for 10 days.

You will need to report your positive result the following ways:

- Report using the NHS Test & Trace self-report website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result">https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result</a>.
- You should <u>book a confirmatory PCR test</u> for your child.
- Email the school at <a href="mailto:admin@gnsa.co.uk">admin@gnsa.co.uk</a> to inform us of the test result. Please include the full name and form of your child and when they received their positive test result.

If the **PCR** test provides a negative result your child can return to school.

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## **Void LFD Test Result**

If the result of the test is **unclear (void)** you should do another test. If you receive a 'void' result twice please inform the school via email. You should <u>order a confirmatory PCR test</u> for your child following a second 'void' result and they should remain at home until they receive the results.

If the **PCR** test provides a positive result, see the above section for the action required.

If the **PCR** test provides a negative result, your child can return to school.

## **Negative LFD Test Result**

You will need to report your negative result using the NHS Test & Trace self-report website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result">https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result</a>.

A negative result does not guarantee that you are not carrying the virus. So, you should continue to follow the protective measures in school such as regularly washing your hands.

If you or anyone in your household displays symptoms of the virus you should follow national guidelines on self-isolation and testing.

I strongly encourage all children to take part. Testing at home will allow your child and other children to attend school and help to reduce the spread of the virus.

If you have any questions about home testing, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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