

16 March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer and Student,

Home Covid Testing

We are nearly at the end of our programme of on-site Covid testing of students. It has been a real success with over 90% of students tested. We are now beginning our transition over to home testing for students. [Here is a YouTube video](#) showing you how to undertake home testing.

For those students who have undertaken on-site testing, home kits will be issued to them when they come in for their 3rd and final on-site test this week. Kits are issued as a box of 7 or two boxes of 3 and, with testing twice a week, should cover tests through to the Easter holidays. Parents of students in Y8-13 need to supervise the testing process at home. Y7 students need their parents to undertake the swabbing process for them when undertaken at home. The guidance booklet has full details.

For students who did not take part in onsite testing but wish to undertake home testing then please could parents kindly email testing@theweald.org.uk with their child's full name, year group, registration group and give consent to start using the home testing service, we will then issue kits out via their form tutor as soon as possible.

We have teamed up with Wonde and their TestRegister software to make result reporting as easy as possible. An email will be sent to parents (or to students if in 6th form) on the due test day as a reminder and you can click straight through to register the result both to the school and the government/NHS site. There's no need for login details or passwords - the reminder emails do it all for you! Alternatively, you can visit testregister.co.uk/login at any point, enter your email address and then click on the link in the email they send you. Please read this [privacy notice](#) to see how the information you share with us is used

Twice weekly home testing will start from next Monday and emails will normally be issued on a Monday & Thursday each week. Tests can then be completed either on a Monday & Thursday or a Tuesday & Friday each week.

Please do report the results of all tests used, whether that be negative, positive or void, as this informs us when to reissue more test kits out to you and follow up with any further action if needed. If you have any problems with the test kits, such as missing items or anything else, please use the TestRegister site to report the issue.

A booklet giving full guidance on how to undertake home testing will be provided with the initial test kits issued. Please ignore the instructions inside the box as these have been updated with the separate booklet given out with the kits.

If you have any queries or concerns then please contact the testing team at testing@theweald.org.uk.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K Truss". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mrs K Truss
Business Manager