



4 January 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

Please find enclosed the attached information as regards the voluntary national programme of mass testing of secondary school pupils.

The consent form needs to be returned to school as soon as possible so that we can work together to keep your child safe.

Initial testing will take place twice over the next two weeks and then your child will be tested daily for seven days only if they are in close contact with a confirmed positive case. This is to reduce the amount of time your child has to self-isolate at home and miss education.

Testing at Larches will be carried out by student nursing staff and other trained professionals.

I have also enclosed some of the general information we have received as regards the programme and how the test procedure operates. This information is also available on the school website.

For your information staff will be part of a weekly testing programme.

I appreciate that some of you will have concerns as regards this so please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss.

Kind regards

Christine

C H Mitchell  
Headteacher