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Sent via SIMS InTouch/student school email accounts on Friday 5th March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer/Sixth Form student,

Mass Covid-19 Testing Registration

This information only applies to those parents who have given consent for their child to be tested and sixth form students who have given consent. If consent has not been given, a student will not be permitted to take the test.

My letter on Tuesday mentioned that we would send more detailed information on how parents and sixth form students will register for testing. It is very important that you read the following information carefully so that our mass testing programme runs smoothly.

In summary: *You will be asked to register a unique barcode online for your child (or you) for each test, during which you will be asked to provide information similar to that which you provided in giving consent. This registration can be done up to (but not more than) 24 hours before the test. Each parent/sixth form student will receive an email the afternoon before each test with the necessary information so that you can register the evening before the student is due to take the test.*

Please remember to consult the attached schedule to see the 3 occasions when you/your child is testing and brief instructions for you/your child on the day. **Parents must not enter the school site.** If you are dropping off your child, please do so well away from the school gates, as usual.

The Process:

The afternoon before you/your child is due to test in school, you will receive a registration email that will look similar to this:

Bexley Grammar School Covid-19 Lateral Flow Test Barcode 1

1 message

Bexley Grammar School - Covid-19 Barcode 1 Notification <enquiries@bexleygs.co.uk>

4 March 2021 at 14:10

Reply-To: enquiries@bexleygs.co.uk

To: [REDACTED]



**Registration Notification of your COVID-19 Lateral Flow Test
Monday 8th March 2021
Bexley Grammar School
Asymptomatic Test Centre ID: BXLX**

Your Name: **Joe Brown**

Unique Barcode Number 1 : **LFJ102340340**

**Registration opens up to 24 hours before your test - [click here](#)
Please consult the attached pdf to view your arrival time and instructions**

Please note the Test Centre ID: **BXLX** and the barcode number, which will be unique to each email - both will be needed for the registration process. Over the course of the next two weeks you will receive 3 such emails, each with a different barcode with which you will register the test, preferably the evening before.

Use this [Registration link](#) with the information contained in the email to register the test no more than 24 hours before your test. You are able to register a test afterwards but of course you will not receive the result via text/email if you have not registered.

The school will only contact you if the test returns a positive result. If the result is negative, please do not contact the school - we would be overwhelmed! If the test comes back as 'void' we will contact you to make arrangements for a re-test.

[Other considerations](#)

Those of you using Hotmail addresses will be aware that some of our mail-merged emails go to spam/junk. Please add enquiries@bexleygs.co.uk and 3034000@capita-intouch.co.uk to your address book to minimise this chance but also please check your spam/junk folder the evening before each test date.

If students have a medical issue regarding swabbing (eg. a propensity for nosebleeds) or they are very anxious, they should make clear the issue on arrival at the test centre and ensure that the test assistant to whom they are assigned is aware. They can, of course, withdraw at any time if they decide that they do not want to do the test on the day.

If a student arrives at school for a test but they have not had parental consent, they will not be permitted to take the test. Likewise, sixth form students will not be permitted to take the test unless they have previously provided consent.

If you have changed your mind and want your child to take a test, you can now collect home testing kits from the four sites below from 1.30pm – 8pm from today (Friday 5 March) onwards:

- 221 Erith Road, Bexleyheath DA7 6HZ
- Felixstowe Road car park, Abbey Wood SE2 9RZ
- The Vine Christian Community Church, Axminster Crescent, Welling DA16 1HF
- Westwood Car Park, Welling DA16 3QS

[You can find out more about these Bexley sites here.](#)

This is a huge logistical exercise and I would like to thank, in advance, the wonderful team of two-dozen parent volunteers who have trained in specific testing roles and signed up for multiple morning and afternoon sessions over the next two weeks to make this mass testing possible for your children. And thank you all for your support in navigating all these instructions in order to support the smooth-running of this process in order to keep our school as safe as possible.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Elphick', written in a cursive style.

Steve Elphick