Dear parent/carer,

Please see below for a reminder of the information shared at the end of last term regarding the mass COVID testing to take place starting from Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September:

## Start of Term

Schools are expected to implement mass Covid testing at the start of term in order to ensure a safer return to school. To manage this, we will have to have a staggered start to the school year. The start times for all students is 8:40 and start dates are as follows:

- Friday September 3rd Year 7 and Sixth Form in school just for their test and return home.
- Monday September 6th Year 7 and Sixth Formers only in lessons. Years 9 and 11, testing.
- Tuesday September 7th Year 9 and Year 11 also in lessons and Years 8 and 10, testing.
- Wednesday September 8th Year 8 and 10 also in lessons.

All students will have test 1 then return home that day, there is no requirement to wear uniform for test 1. They will then return to normal lessons the following day.

Please read the testing schedules which are uploaded in the school correspondence section of the website – these detail when students should arrive for their test dependant on surnames. These tests are only to take place with parental consent. If you previously gave consent for the March round of testing you do not need to complete the form again – please only complete it if you have not previously given consent. The form is linked below:

## https://forms.office.com/r/mHQnJwVvch

Students will be required to attend via the Sports Hall entrance (off Lune Street) where they can register for their test, testing will take place in the gym as previously. Students will need to administer their own tests, we know many of our students have been testing twice weekly at home last term so we are sure they are all now confident with this process.

If you have any urgent queries relating to the testing process please direct them to <a href="mailto:schoolclosure@olcc.lancs.sch.uk">schoolclosure@olcc.lancs.sch.uk</a> — we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

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