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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Everyone living, working or learning in Liverpool can now get a free Covid-19 test.

The more of us who get tested, the more we can stop the spread of COVID-19 in our city. All children aged between 11 and 18 years old, where the appropriate recorded consent is provided, are eligible for the test. We are inviting the young people in our city to take part in this process.

Broughton Hall has been selected to be a site where all of the young people in its care as well as its staff have the opportunity to access the Covid-19 test. We are being supported in the organisation of this by Liverpool City Council, Public Health and some support from army personnel. I hope you are able to give consent for this test for your daughter but without parental consent the test will not be administered.

We hope, that participation in this pilot means we will leave the national lockdown in a stronger and healthier position as a city. We anticipate that the mass testing will cause some disruption in school but we hope it may help in offering a more consistent education for your daughter in the future.

This test involves taking a swab from the back of the throat and nose. This process may be uncomfortable for some people but isn't harmful. In most cases the test will be self-administered, but trained army personnel will be on hand to support where needed. We are working in partnership with the NHS and partners to deliver testing at our education settings in Liverpool. Broughton Hall staff will also be present in the room where the testing is due to take place to reassure pupils.

We ask that you and your child discuss this to see if it is something you would want them to participate in. If consent* is given pupils will be tested twice over a period of about 10 days for COVID-19 as part of a national pilot. The results will be fed into NHS Track and Trace. Individual results will also be held by the school and provided directly to you. Anyone who tests positive, using either a lateral flow test or an existing swab test, must self-isolate along with their household immediately. Those who test negative will need to continue to follow all national guidance.

This pilot is being run in phases, starting week beginning 9th November with a small number of locations. We will work with NHS partners and the military to ensure safe and suitable systems and processes are used across education settings. Following this, the testing will be offered more widely.

Broughton Hall High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people; we expect all pupils, staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.



Further details about the mass testing pilot can be found:
<https://liverpoolexpress.co.uk/covid-mass-testing-your-questions-answered/>

To be able to participate in this pilot please print off and complete the attached consent form and return it to school **OR** please give consent via the Edulinkone App.

To use the Edulinkone App please Open the App, select the green 'FORMS' option and then complete the form labelled 'CONSENT FORM Covid-19 Lateral Flow Testing'.

Yours faithfully,



**G Preston
Head Teacher**

*Further information regarding consent can be found at the [NHS website](#) and also at the [CQC website](#)



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CONSENT FORM

Mass Asymptomatic Lateral Flow Testing for Coronavirus/Covid-19

Please discuss this with your child, then complete this form or via 'FORMS' on the Edulinkone App and return it to school by **Monday 9th November 2020**. If we do not receive your recorded consent, your child will not be tested.

Child's full name (first name and surname):	Home address and postcode:	
Date of birth:	School year:	School form:

Consent for Coronavirus/ Covid-19 Test. (Please complete either box below for YES or NO and return the form to school).

YES, I have discussed this with my child and if they are unable to give consent themselves to be tested, I give consent for them to be tested for Coronavirus/ Covid-19

NO. I have discussed this with my child and if they are unable to give consent themselves to be tested, I do not give consent for them to be tested for Coronavirus/ Covid-19

Name

Name

Signature Parent/guardian

Signature Parent/guardian

Date

Date

If 'No' please give reason(s)

Thank you for completing this form.

Please return it to the school by 9th November 2020

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