

28th May 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

As the half term closes, I just wanted to take the time to thank you once again for your support and feedback.

Year 11 and 13 students

We have been incredibly proud of these students who have been affected by the cancellation of the 2021 exam series and have written to all parents/carers to congratulate them on their resilience, conduct and support for each other. Colleagues have felt privileged to have been able to join with them to celebrate their learning journeys with us and are delighted that year end proms/parties are currently being arranged for the summer term.

Lateral Flow Tests

Thank you for your continued support with Covid-19 home testing. Your child should continue testing and reporting results twice a week, at home, throughout the May half-term school holiday and take a test before returning to school.

Recording all test results helps scientists stay ahead of the virus by spotting new outbreaks quickly and advising how to respond. Reporting results is easy. Go to: [Report a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test result - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) Or call: 119 free from a mobile or landline. Lines are open every day, 7am to 11pm. Support is offered in 200 languages as well as British Sign Language and Live Video Assistance. All results should be reported, even if your child's result is negative or void.

If you receive a positive result during the half term holiday please continue to report this using the dedicated email address c19alert@nestonhigh.com. This will be monitored, and we are required to identify potential close contacts in the previous 2 days and advise them to isolate for 10 days. **Please monitor your email accounts as notifications will be sent to you if your child is affected.**

Universal Testing

The government is encouraging all adults to participate in twice weekly testing to help stop the spread of coronavirus. You can order tests through the [Order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow tests](#) service or collect from one of the local test centres.

Up to one in three people who have COVID-19 have no symptoms and could be spreading it without knowing. Maintaining a regular habit of testing twice a week, 3-4 days apart, will help stop the virus spreading and keep schools and colleges open to students and staff.

I would like to wish you all a safe and happy half term break where we can hopefully all enjoy some sunshine. We look forward to seeing our young people back again on Monday 7th June.

With kind regards

K Simpson
Headteacher