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Dear Parents/Carers

Self-Testing Programme - S3

Firstly, please can I take the opportunity to say how delighted we all have been to see our S3 young people in school yesterday and we are looking forward to seeing them again next Wednesday.

As you will be aware, at the moment, the Scottish Government have indicated that all learners will return to school as of **Monday 12 April** and pupils in the year groups S1 to S3 will be given the opportunity to join the voluntary self-testing programme.

In order for us to manage this successfully and because our S3 will be in school again on Wednesday 24 March, we would like to take the opportunity to invite all S3 pupils to join the voluntary programme.

Copied below is a link to our online consent form and for those wishing to participate, where parental consent is received by the end of the day on Tuesday 23 March, we will distribute kits to the young person when they are in school on Wednesday 24 March.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKR2W3bBDMs5GpFSnJ_rt2PtUMk01SzNHR0QwRTEwMVRRTEg3VFU1M1BJTi4u

Please note that test kits for consent received after the above date will be distributed during the week beginning Monday 12 April.

You will see from the documentation attached that tests should routinely be taken on a Sunday and a Wednesday. However, we would request that the first day your young person should undertake a test is the day before school recommences and at the moment this would be **Sunday 11 April 2021**. Should the return to school date change for any reason we will be in touch with you as soon as is possible to establish when self-testing should commence.

To ease the distribution of the information we have received, attached to this email are the following documents:

- NHS Introduction to Rapid Self-Testing for Covid-19
- NHS How to Do a Rapid Covid-19 Self-Test
- Consent Form, for anyone unable to complete the online form mentioned above
- Data Privacy Notice

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully

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