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Headteacher Mrs K Kerry

Dear Families

I would like to give you some further information regarding your child starting in Year 7 at the Manor Academy.

Attached to this letter is information for September. There are updates to some measures already in place, and some measures have been removed. We are relying on these being followed so that we may provide the best education possible while keeping safety our number one priority. The information has changed since last term so please take your time to read the information carefully and discuss this with your child.

The government have given guidance to all schools that each student should have 2 lateral flow device tests (LFD) when returning in September. We have been given some flexibility in how we conduct these tests

The following programme of testing for Year 7 will be put in place to start on **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021** onwards at the Manor Sports and Recreation Centre.

Once a student has undertaken a Lateral Flow Test they will return home and, if they receive a negative test result, they will return to school on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 8.30am** to start their Manor school life fulltime.

So that we can accommodate all students there is a programme of testing and your child will be tested in tutor group order and more details of the process and the timing for your child will be sent to you in the next few days.

For the second test on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** this will be carried out in tutor group order whilst your child is in school.

If a positive test is received you will be informed and DfE guidelines will be followed.

The school will conduct 2 sessions of lateral flow testing in total and then parents or carers will be expected to test their child at home. Home testing kits will be allocated after the second test as per government guidelines.

Please can I take this opportunity to remind you that **if not already done** so to complete the Covid Testing Consent Form on this link <https://bit.ly/2UFGijH> whether you give consent for your child to be tested, or even if you do not give consent.

If you require a hard copy posting out then please contact the school either by email or the gateway.

We will not be able to accept last minute telephone calls to give consent. This should be done in advance using the electronic system we have set up for the purposes of planning, correct staffing and formally agreeing to the tests and our procedures.

Thank you for your ongoing support, we genuinely cannot wait to have your child start their learning in our school

Yours faithfully

Mrs Kerry  
Headteacher