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Dear Parents/Carers

### Hampton College Secondary Phase in September: Lateral Flow Testing

You may be aware of the asymptomatic testing programme that schools are required to have in place at the start of September when students return to school after the summer holidays. Secondary schools are being asked to carry out two lateral flow tests on students before distributing the home testing kits. We are currently planning our testing programme and how it will operate during the week beginning Monday 6 September. We will be in touch later this week with more information about dates for testing and the start of school.

Along with the other protective measures we are taking, these tests help staff and students remain in school safely. Up to one third of people who have coronavirus experience no symptoms; however, they are able to transmit the virus to others. By testing and identifying those who would otherwise attend school, we will help to stop the spread of the virus. Obviously, this measure will be most effective if the vast majority of students are tested and we hope that you will be happy for your child to participate.

In preparation for testing please would you complete the consent form by accessing the link below:

[Consent Form](#)

Results will be uploaded to NHS Test and Trace and will be shared with individuals and their parents/carers. A student testing positive using the lateral flow test will need to self-isolate and take a confirmatory PCR test. The length of the isolation period depends upon the result of the PCR test.

To help us with our planning, it would be very helpful if you could complete the consent form as soon as possible.

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Yours faithfully

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