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Dear Parent / Carer

Re: Start of term letter and LFD Testing

May I begin by wishing you all a happy new year. I hope that you have been able to enjoy a peaceful Christmas and were able to spend time with loved ones over the holidays. I also hope that you and your families stayed well over the festive period.

There may be a number of communications over the next two weeks as we update you with what the new regulations mean for us here in school, including information about face coverings. This letter, however, is to remind you about the on-site LFD testing which takes place this week. **If you have not yet given consent you will need to do so by 1pm on the day before your child is tested.** (We have extended the timing from 9am today in light of some extra advice in the paragraph below.)

We have an update about students who have tested positive in the last 90 days. Schools are being asked to encourage those who have tested positive to still take part in LFD testing if they have completed their isolation period. Experts have told us that this is because Omicron is likely to re-infect those who have previously been infected with the Delta variant and that it is more likely to be a reinfection than a residual positive result.

Students will not be tested without consent. In light of what we now know about the Omicron variant and how easily it spreads, I would highly recommend that students are tested by our trained volunteers to avoid further disruption to their learning. Sixth form students can give consent themselves using the link below or in person on the day.

You can find the link to give consent for each year group below:

[Year 7 consent form](#)

[Year 8 consent form](#)

[Year 9 consent form](#)

[Year 10 consent form](#)

[Year 11 consent form](#)

[Year 12 consent form](#)

[Year 13 consent form](#)

Details about the test and the specific times for each form group can be found in the letters sent before the holiday, which are also on the website in the coronavirus updates section. A summary of all year groups can be found in the table below:

Date	LFD test	Return to school	Online learning
Wednesday 5 th Jan	Y11, 12, 13	-	Y7, 8, 9, 10
Thursday 6 th Jan	Y7, 10	Y13,11,12	Y8, 9
Friday 7 th Jan	Y9, 8	Y10,7	-

Staff have been asked to follow your child's timetable for online learning and work will be set using ClassCharts. If you missed the opportunity to request a laptop for online learning please email laptop.loan@trinity.cumbria.sch.uk as soon as possible.

We know that the next few weeks could pose some challenges for us if case numbers in the school community increase but we are hopeful that the measures we have in place will limit



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spread of the virus and the disruption it could cause. As always, we will aim to communicate changes as efficiently as possible.

With very best wishes for 2022.

Yours sincerely

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