

St Joseph's Catholic Academy

A Leading Edge Technology & Applied Learning College
Mill Lane, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear, NE31 2ET
Telephone: 0191 428 2700



Email: Office@stjosephs.uk.net
Web: www.stjosephs.uk.net
Fax: 0191 428 4053

Headteacher: Mr P Mitchell
Chair of Governors: Mrs G Kilgour

Tuesday 31st August

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm sure you will be aware that towards the end of the summer term the government announced that all secondary pupils on returning to school in September will be offered two lateral flow tests, in school, 3-5 days apart. This is to aid with the detection of asymptomatic Covid cases. Once each pupil has had two tests in school, they will be provided with home-testing kits and instructions to carry out their tests twice-weekly at home. This will take place initially until the end of September.

To allow for the roll-out of testing alongside the reopening of school for a new term, pupils will return on a phased basis during the week beginning 6th September. In order to reduce the amount of time pupils are out of school, we will begin to offer testing on the INSET Day on Monday 6th September as outlined in the table below. **The initial testing for all year groups will take place in the Sports Hall, so students will not enter the main school building.**

In summary, pupils will return to school on a staggered basis. This phased return is necessary in order to facilitate the roll-out of LFD testing for those students that we have consent for and allowing for a gap of 3-5 days between tests.

Consent Information:

Pupils in Years 8 - 13

As in March this testing is voluntary and no students will be prevented from returning to school if they do not take part in onsite testing. We will assume that parents who gave permission for March onsite testing continue to do so, but if this has changed please contact school via office@stjosephs.uk.net. Equally if you did not give permission in March but now wish to do so please complete the consent form in the link below:

<https://forms.gle/G2t2oyhrSAnd52mI9>

Pupils Joining in Year 7

Parents of new Year 7 students will need to complete the consent form via the link below.

<https://forms.gle/D1YBo7ZzN71CQDyc9>

Parents/Carers: Stay Alert. Keep your child at home if they have Covid-19 symptoms. Stay Safe.

St Joseph's Catholic Academy

A Leading Edge Technology & Applied Learning College
 Mill Lane, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear, NE31 2ET
 Telephone: 0191 428 2700



Email: Office@stjosephs.uk.net
 Web: www.stjosephs.uk.net
 Fax: 0191 428 4053

Headteacher: Mr P Mitchell
 Chair of Governors: Mrs G Kilgour

Your child will be registered for their tests prior to their test days. If consent is withdrawn or your child is absent, they will not be tested. However, you may still receive confirmation of a registered test.

Testing Timetable

Date	First LFD test	Return to school full time
Monday 6 th September	Year 12 & Year 13	Wednesday 8 th September
Tuesday 7 th September	Year 7	Tuesday 7 th September
Tuesday 7 th September	Year 11	Wednesday 8 th September
Wednesday 8 th September	Year 8 & Year 10	Thursday 9 th September
Thursday 9 th September	Year 9	Friday 10 th September

For the first LFD test, students will come to school during a designated time-period and return home once tested (other than Year 7 who will remain in school). Your son or daughter's test time can be seen in the 'Test Times' table below. After taking the test it takes 15 minutes for the result to come through.

Please note, students do not have to consent to the test to return to school. Anyone who is not receiving an LFD test should return to school as outlined in the table above.

All testing is to take place in the Sports Hall and access will be signposted around the back of the main school building (see site plan below).

The two in-school LFD tests will be scheduled on the following dates:

Date	Test 1	Test 2
06-09-21	Year 13, Year 12	
07-09-21	Year 7, Year 11	
08-09-21	Year 8, Year 10	
09-09-21	Year 9	Year 13, Year 12
10-09-21		Year 7, Year 11,
Date	Test 1	Test 2
13-09-21		Year 8, Year 10
14-09-21		Year 9

Parents/Carers: Stay Alert. Keep your child at home if they have Covid-19 symptoms. Stay Safe.

St Joseph's Catholic Academy

A Leading Edge Technology & Applied Learning College
Mill Lane, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear, NE31 2ET
Telephone: 0191 428 2700



Email: Office@stjosephs.uk.net
Web: www.stjosephs.uk.net
Fax: 0191 428 4053

Headteacher: Mr P Mitchell
Chair of Governors: Mrs G Kilgour

Sixth Form follow-up tests on Thursday 9th September may need to take place after 3:00pm.

Please note that LFD Test 2 will take place within the school day, as far as possible, and will be carried out as part of their lesson time.

Any pupil that has tested positive for Covid-19 since 7th June 2021, will not be able to take a Lateral Flow Test in September. If this applies to your child please contact the school on office@stjosephs.uk.net if you haven't already done so, or if they test positive during the summer break before the return of pupils in September.

Test Times

Monday 6th September

Year 12

Arrive at School	Surname Beginning:
9:30 am	A – G
10:00 am	H – O
10:30 am	P – Z

Year 13

Arrive at School	Surname Beginning:
11:45 am	A – G
12:15 pm	H – O
12:45 pm	P – Z

Tuesday 7th September

Year 7

One form class at a time to be called to the testing area from 9:00 am.

Year 11

Arrive at School	Surname Beginning:
11:45 am	A – C
12:15 pm	D – G
12:45 pm	H – K
1:45 pm	L – N

Parents/Carers: Stay Alert. Keep your child at home if they have Covid-19 symptoms. Stay Safe.

St Joseph's Catholic Academy

A Leading Edge Technology & Applied Learning College
 Mill Lane, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear, NE31 2ET
 Telephone: 0191 428 2700



Email: Office@stjosephs.uk.net
 Web: www.stjosephs.uk.net
 Fax: 0191 428 4053

Headteacher: Mr P Mitchell
 Chair of Governors: Mrs G Kilgour

2:15 pm	O – R
2:45 pm	S – Z

Wednesday 8th September

Year 8

Arrive at School	Surname Beginning:
9:00 am	A – C
9:30 am	D – G
10:00 am	H – L
10:30 am	M – P
11:15 am	R – Z

Year 10

Arrive at School	Surname Beginning:
11:45 am	A – C
12:15 pm	D – G
12:45 pm	H – K
1:45 pm	L – N
2:15 pm	O – R
2:45 pm	S – Z

Thursday 9th September

Year 9

Arrive at School	Surname Beginning:
9:00 am	A – B
9:30 am	C – F
10:00 am	G – J
10:30 am	K – M
11:15 am	N – S
11:45 am	T – Z

Parents/Carers: Stay Alert. Keep your child at home if they have Covid-19 symptoms. Stay Safe.

St Joseph's Catholic Academy

A Leading Edge Technology & Applied Learning College
Mill Lane, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear, NE31 2ET
Telephone: 0191 428 2700



Email: Office@stjosephs.uk.net
Web: www.stjosephs.uk.net
Fax: 0191 428 4053

Headteacher: Mr P Mitchell
Chair of Governors: Mrs G Kilgour

Kind regards

Mr P Mitchell
(Headteacher)

Site Plan

Entry and exit will be directly into the sports hall by following the route indicated below:

Parents/Carers: Stay Alert. Keep your child at home if they have Covid-19 symptoms. Stay Safe.

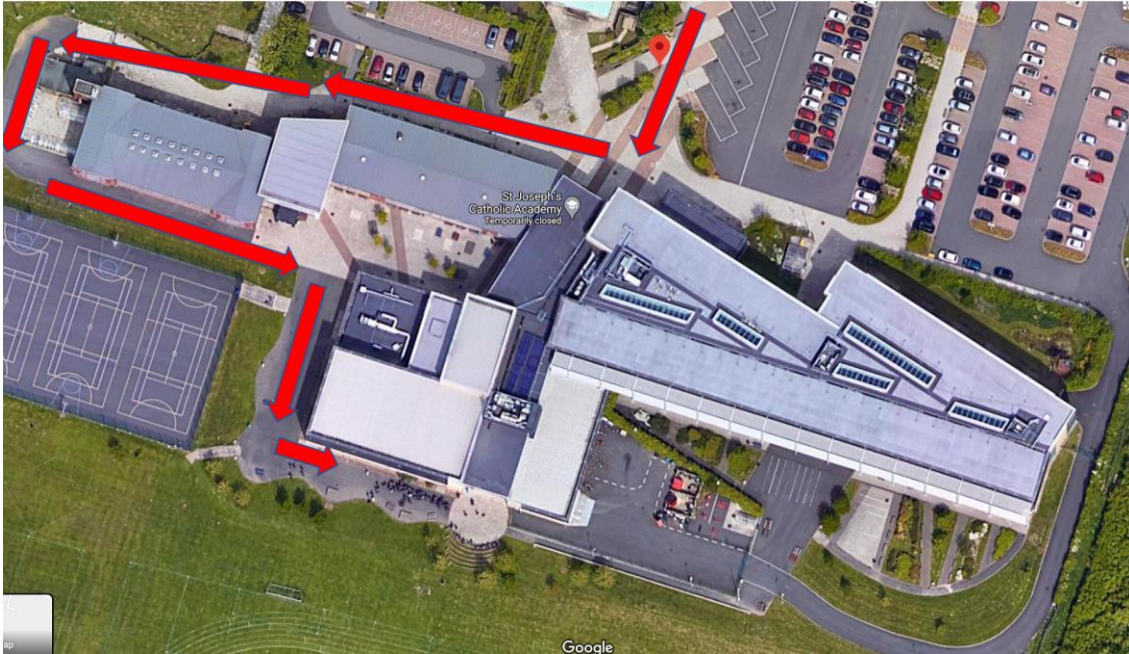
St Joseph's Catholic Academy

A Leading Edge Technology & Applied Learning College
Mill Lane, Hebburn, Tyne and Wear, NE31 2ET
Telephone: 0191 428 2700



Email: Office@stjosephs.uk.net
Web: www.stjosephs.uk.net
Fax: 0191 428 4053

Headteacher: Mr P Mitchell
Chair of Governors: Mrs G Kilgour



Parents/Carers: Stay Alert. Keep your child at home if they have Covid-19 symptoms. Stay Safe.



Caritas Christi Urget Nos
'The love of Christ spurs us on'

