

Dear Parents

We have been contacted by the Department for Health and Social Care and Community test site operators to alert us that some parents of primary age children, are turning up to collect home test kits for their children and household members.

We have been asked to remind families of the guidance which can be found here: [Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff)

It may be helpful to set out the relevant sections for families of primary age children who wish to collect home test kits for testing their household (to include older children who are not accessing testing via their secondary schools, college, university or workplace and any adults **but not to include primary age children as it is not recommended that children of this age receive a test unless they have symptoms**) are set out below:

From 1 March 2021, if you're a member of a household, childcare bubble or support bubble of staff or a pupil you can get a twice-weekly test.

Get a test through your employer

Your workplace may offer rapid lateral flow testing to you. Contact your employer to find out more.

Take a test at a rapid lateral flow test site

You can take a rapid lateral flow test at a local site. Testing at these sites is assisted, which means you will swab yourself under the supervision of a trained operator.

You may need to book an appointment.

[Find your nearest rapid lateral flow test site.](#)

Order home test kits online

If you cannot get tested at your workplace, or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a home test kit online.

Do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most.

[Order rapid lateral flow home test kits](#)

Collect test kits

You can collect 2 packs of home test kits at a local collection point. Each pack contains 7 tests.

Anyone 18 or over can collect.

Most collection points are open from 1.30pm to 7pm. You can check online if the location is open or busy before you go. You do not need to make an appointment.

Do not visit a collection point outside opening hours, as it may be used to test people with coronavirus symptoms outside these times.

Find your nearest home test kit collection point.

For your ease the test centres where kits can be collected are as follows:

Location	Site Name
Swale	Bridge Road Car Park
Tonbridge & Malling	Ditton Youth Centre Car Park, Kiln Barn Road, Aylesford
Folkestone	The Stadium Car Park, Church Road, Folkestone
Dartford	Car Park at Acacia Hall
Maidstone	Shepway Green Youth Centre Car Park, Cumberland Ave
Margate	Dreamland Car Park (LTS & RTS)
Gravesham	Lord Street Car Park, Gravesend
Canterbury	Car Park Gate 6, North Holmes Road
Canterbury	University of Kent - Rutherford Car Park
Medway	Jellicoe Building Car Park
Medway	Christ Church, Luton Road

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Kind regards

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