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Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you are well. Many thanks for all your support with your child's online learning, submitting their work to their class teacher on a daily basis. I hope the weekly phone calls home have helped you to maintain regular dialogue with staff, discussing any queries you may have regarding home learning. Please note some of the calls we make will show 'No caller ID'.

### **Lateral Flow Testing for Staff**

The Department for Education recently announced that it is to start a programme of asymptomatic Covid-19 testing in primary schools, school-based nurseries and maintained nursery schools.

Along with the other protective measures the government are taking, testing will allow them to take further measures to help staff members to work in as safe an environment as possible. Up to one in three people who have Covid-19 have the virus without symptoms so could be transmitting the virus unknowingly. Tackling the pandemic requires identifying asymptomatic, infectious individuals. By testing, it will help to reduce the spread in schools.

We are therefore beginning the Lateral Flow Testing programme for the staff at St. Peter's from this coming Wednesday. If there are any changes to the Teaching and Learning programmes for children both at home or at school, we will notify you as soon as possible.

If you have any queries, please E-mail [schoolclosure@stpetersceprimary.co.uk](mailto:schoolclosure@stpetersceprimary.co.uk)

Thanks for your continued support,

Richard Unthank

Head Teacher