



Lateral Flow Testing and Covid-19 Vaccine Policy

Lateral Flow Testing

Asymptomatic testing will help to break the chains of transmission of coronavirus in education and childcare settings by identifying asymptomatic positive cases. This is important as up to one in three people who have the virus have it without symptoms (they are asymptomatic) so could be spreading the disease unknowingly. Staff who test positive then self-isolate, helping to reduce transmission of the virus.

Under new government guidance from the return to work upon the 8th of March 2021 all Out of School Clubs should promote and engage in asymptomatic testing where available. Testing is voluntary and not required legally to return to work. As we work within a school premises, we are being provided the tests via Ecclesall Primary School.

We will be provided with the home testing kits when needed from the Headteacher Mrs Hardy, these testing devices come with instructions, are to be taken at home and will be taken twice weekly on the same schedule as all school staff. The days and times are to be;

Monday, at least an hour before you leave for your shift for example;

Breakfast club if you leave your house for work at 7am you need to test at 6am.

Afterschool club if you leave at 2.15pm you need to test at 1.15pm.

Thursday, afternoon upon return home from your shift so if you arrive home at 6.30pm you would test straight away this is to enable ourselves and school to trace contacts who may need to isolate.

You will receive an email Mondays and Thursdays from school with a link to a google document to input your test results, results must also be given to the NHS Test and Trace directly following the instructions in your kit. The results from the test should take 30 minutes, if your test comes back positive you are to let management know ASAP via the club mobile number so we can organise the next steps, you will also need to arrange a PCR test to confirm the result. Please do not come in to work.

Permission to pass on your email address to school will be attained before testing commences and consent to testing will be confirmed. All information regarding testing is kept confidential following GDPR practice.

Covid-19 Vaccine

Staff are not legally required to have the Covid-19 vaccine to work at Ecclesall Kids Club. It is the staff members personal decision.

We ask that staff who have the Covid-19 vaccinations book their appointments out of club time and are aware of any side effects it may cause, and the usual procedure of sickness reporting must be followed if unable to work following the vaccine.