



Poynton High School and Performing Arts College

26th April 2021

Head Teacher: Mr M Dean

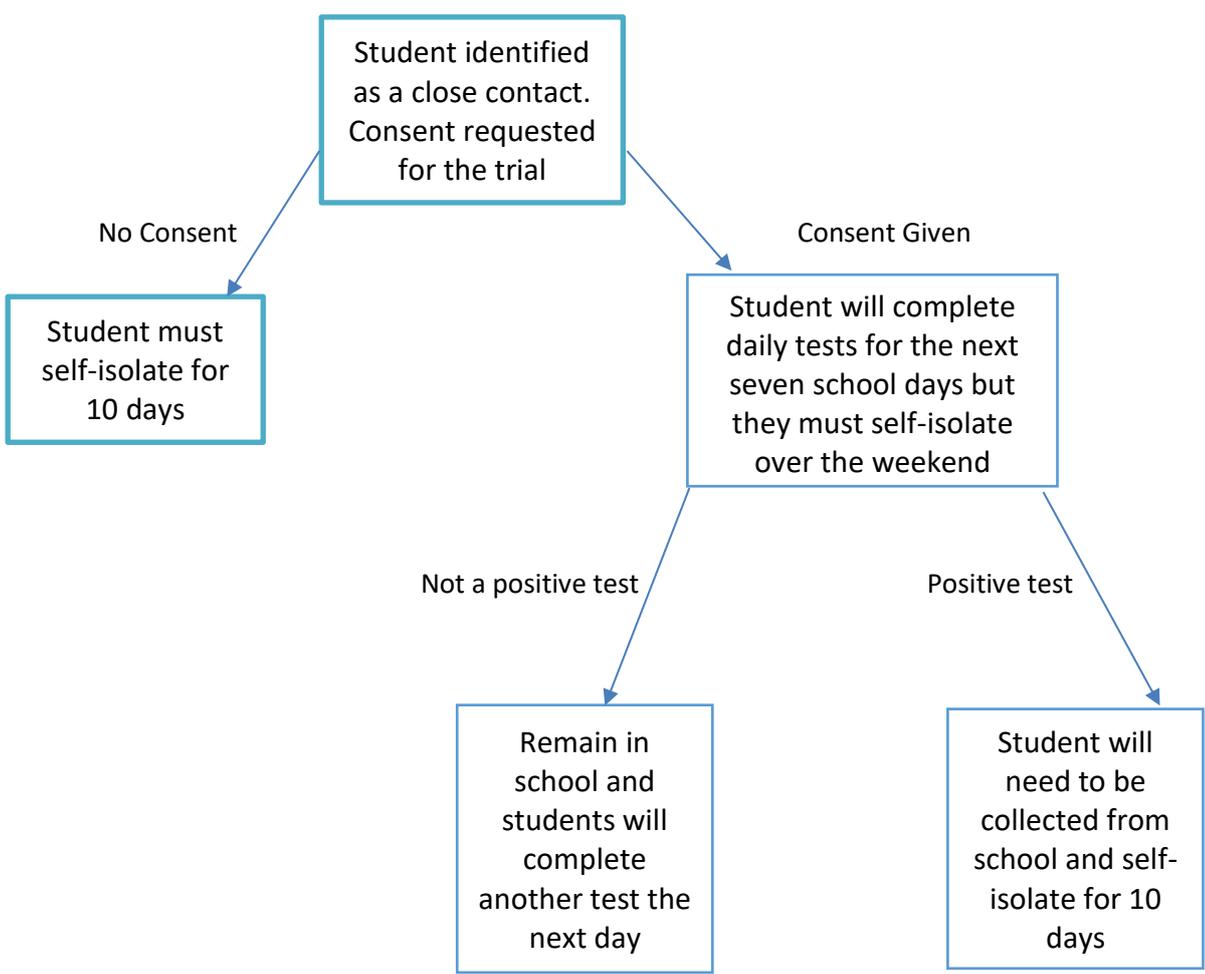
Dear Parent/Carer

We have been successful in being selected as one of only 2 schools in Cheshire East to be part of a trial for daily testing for students who are classed as close contacts of a positive Covid-19 case within the school.

We are aware that parents/carers want their children to remain in school for their learning whilst keeping the whole school community safe. This trial will enable students to remain in school should they come into contact with a positive case. Students with consent to take part in the study will be tested each day before school to ensure they are safe to be on site.

Please follow this link for more detailed information about the trial:
<https://www.phs.cheshire.sch.uk/dailycovidtesting>

From Monday 26th April if you child is identified as a close contact you will be asked if you wish for your child to self-isolate for the 10 days or to give consent for them to be part of the daily testing trial.



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Students who are part of the trial will also complete a Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test on days 2 and 7.

For students to be part of the trial there are the following guidelines:

- 1) Students will need to travel to school without using buses/public transport or car sharing with those outside their household/support or childcare bubble. If they do not have a positive test they will be able to travel home on the school bus.
- 2) Parents will need to be able to collect their child immediately from school in the event of a positive test in school
- 3) Students will need to arrive in school between 8am-8.40am to complete the daily test. Results are returned in 15 minutes.
- 4) If students do not test positive they can remain in school for lessons and also for any school activities that begin straight after school.
- 5) On leaving school they must go straight home and isolate in the evening and the weekend in the 10 day period.
- 6) Daily contact tracing is only possible for students with no symptoms of Covid-19

The trial is completely voluntary and we will respect any decision a parent/carer makes regarding their child taking part in the trial. A student can start the trial but withdraw at any point however they would then need to self-isolate.

If you have any further questions please e-mail covidsupport@phs.cheshire.sch.uk

Thank you for your on-going support

Yours faithfully

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