



13 August 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

COVID-19 testing bookings Thursday 2 and Friday 3 September 2021

The government has advised that all secondary school pupils should receive 2 on-site lateral flow device tests, 3 to 5 days apart, on their return in the autumn term. All students at Bourne Grammar School may complete their first test on Thursday 2 September or Friday 3 September, before beginning School on Monday 6 September.

The School Cloud booking system will open from **20:00 on Monday 16 August** and will remain open until **Friday 27 August at 20:00:**

- Please click [HERE](#) to book your son/daughter's Covid-19 testing slot. The second test will take place on Monday – Wednesday in the first week back. You do not need to book this.
- Please click [HERE](#) to provide consent for your son/daughter to be tested on-site. Without consent, your son/daughter will not be able to take their test.

At no point is a login code required; the booking system has been set up using the details of the Priority 1 parent and the student's preferred forename (as used in School), surname and date of birth as recorded on our database. If you experience issues logging on to the system please email us via covidtesting@bourne-grammar.lincs.sch.uk only.

Lateral Flow Device (LFD) tests are for asymptomatic people only and anyone with symptoms (even if they recently had a negative LFD test result) must self-isolate immediately and take a [PCR test](#).

If your son/daughter has tested positive with a PCR test within the last 90 days, they **do not need to book a test** unless they develop new symptoms during this time – in which case they should be retested immediately using a PCR. This 90-day period is from the initial onset of symptoms or, if asymptomatic when tested, their positive test result.

No bookings can be taken after the closing time so please ensure you adhere to this deadline. All bookings must be made via the online booking system; bookings cannot be accepted in any other way. Time slots are not allocated according to Year group, so you may reserve appointments for any siblings in the same time slot. Please wait in the School car park while your son/daughter is tested in the Sports Hall. You will be guided in the right direction upon arrival. Please see the map on the following page.

During this first week the changing rooms are out of use as a result of the testing, so all students should come into School in their PE kit and any additional, appropriate sportswear (this does not have to be the official BGS PE kit) in accordance with the weather. Year 7 have PE on Monday 6 September and should therefore arrive to School in their PE kits that morning.

Finally, I very much hope your son/daughter enjoys the rest of their holiday and is looking forward to starting here at Bourne Grammar School. We are certainly looking forward to having them.

Yours sincerely

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