

# GLENDALE INFANT SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **RE: Lateral Flow Device Testing for Primary School Staff**

You may well be aware that Public Health England and the DfE have asked schools to start requesting staff (in school) to carry out home Lateral Flow Device (LFD) tests. The advised start date is week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> January, this is dependent on the delivery of the kits into school in a timely manner. We wanted to make you aware of this as we have been very fortunate to date, in that we have not needed to close bubbles with any positive cases within school.

The purpose of the LFD tests is to pick up any asymptomatic cases – cases where a person does not have symptoms. The number of such cases is now 1 in 3, so there is the potential that staff in school may well fall into this group.

We would obviously notify you as soon as possible of any bubble closure and the procedures to follow. We have been informed that if a positive LFD test result is given, we will have to close the bubble, inform all close contacts and everyone will need to self-isolate until a) the staff member receives a negative PCR result or b) the current 10 day isolation period ends.

We will keep you informed and would like to thank you once again for your continued support during these difficult times.

Kind regards,

*Louise Hopkins*  
(Headteacher)