

Dear Student,

Thank you for your continued participation in the COVID-19 Schools Infection Survey (SIS).

Your participation is invaluable, as the results of the SIS study aim to keep everyone safe from the virus.


The next round of SIS tests takes place shortly, and we have some important updates: -

- 1 The study workers will visit your school again shortly to collect a nasal swab and an oral fluid (saliva) sample to test for the virus and antibodies against the virus.
- 2 They will then visit again in June, after half term. Please ensure you take part on each occasion and take both gentle swabs.
- 3 Every attempt will be made to report any positive nasal swab results to you and your school as quickly as possible, ideally within 48 hours of the test.
- 4 All antibody results will be provided after the **last** round of testing. Saliva samples collected in May will only be processed in the lab if they are needed by the analysts. This means you **may not** receive these antibody results, but you **will** receive your antibody results from the round of testing in June. These will be available to you around 8 – 12 weeks after the sample is taken.

Every test makes a difference, so thank you once again for your continued participation.

If you have any questions, please contact the IQVIA helpline on **0800 917 9679** or email iqvia.schoolinfectionsurvey@nhs.net

Yours faithfully,



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