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Aquila Risk assessment – Lateral flow testing for staff

Hazard (something with the potential to cause harm)	What could go wrong?	Who may be harmed?	What is done to control the risk?	What more needs to be done?	Who is responsible
Incorrect storage	Test results are	Staff	Storage and handling guidance to be followed.	Follow DfE	SLT
of tests	void or incorrect	pupils	Tests held in school at room temperature prior to collection	guidance if	
			Collection point inside the building – Cleaning: Regular cleaning of the	updated	
			site, including wipe down of all potential touchpoints in accordance		
			with PHE guidance and SOP. Face masks worn and hand sanitiser		
			available.		
			Staff reminded how to store tests at home		
Staff unable to	Asymptomatic	Staff	Test delivery due w/b 18th January 2021.	Contact helpline if	SLT (Covid Co-
access LFT home	spread of Covid	Pupils	SLT to monitor stocks and re-order as necessary to ensure regular	tests not delivered	ordinators including
tests			supply- strict signing out of kits so that stock levels can be monitored-		registration
	`		Test Kit log	Staff info provided	assistants)
			Test collection point set up in building with separate entrance and	regarding access to	
			exit points. Staff allocated times to collect kits.	tests.	
			Staff to inform SLT when stocks are low		
			Use template test kit log document to record who has taken test kits		
			and the test ID numbers		

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Staff unsure how	Tests not	Staff	DfE training 18/1/21 and 19/1/21 to ensure they are aware of	Staff information	SLT (Covid Co-
staff home	carried out	Pupils	protocols.	drawn up and	ordinators including
testing works correctly			Access to Document Sharing platform for relevant information	circulated so all are	registration
			Video link or DfE guidance documents provided for all staff.	aware	assistants)
			Information provided on online reporting of result of each test		
			Separate, updated information sheet to be given with each test kit.		
			Staff told to disregard the sheet in the kits.		
Low take up of	Lack of	Staff	Ensure staff are aware of the reasoning behind the testing by	Staff information	SLT
LFD home tests	knowledge	Pupils	provision of relevant information.	drawn up and	(Covid Co-ordinators
	resulting in low		Ensure staff are aware participation is voluntary	circulated so all are	including registration
	take up		Clear guidance given to staff regarding their data- DfE privacy notice	aware	assistants)
			shared		
			Ensure staff understand that those who have received a vaccine		
			should still be tested. (More information needed regarding those that		
			have had a confirmed case of Covid - awaiting DfE clarification- do		
			they still need to take the tests?)		
Void results	Inaccurate tests	Staff pupils	Follow guidance from PHE.	School to contact	SLT
	resulting in		If 1 LFD test is void staff member to conduct another. If 2nd	helpline and report	(Covid Co-ordinators
	possible		LFD is also void staff member to book PCR test and report void	void test results.	including registration
	transmission		tests on line and to school		assistants)
				Helpline number:	

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Member of staff	Staff shortages	Staff	Staff member to inform HT immediately via email or phone call.	Ensure staff are	SLT
tests positive	Bubble closures	Pupils		aware of	(Covid Co-ordinators
using LFD			Member of staff to book a PCR test to confirm the result and self-	procedures to	including registration
			isolate along with their household.	report a positive	assistants)
				test to PHE and	
			Test to be conducted on Sunday evening and Thursday morning to	school.	
			allow time to address staffing issues/bubble closures with staff on a		
			rota should minimise disruption.		
			If positive tests result in low staffing levels it may be necessary to		
			follow protocols to close a bubble to staff and pupils.		
Test components	Inaccurate	Staff	If the test has components missing this should be reported through	Helpline number:	SLT
missing or faulty	result		the helpline and another test used. If more than one test is faulty call		(Covid Co-ordinators
			the helpline to inform them.		including registration
					assistants)
Non reporting of	Staff fail to	Staff	Ensure staff are aware that if they opt in to the testing they have a	Information	SLT
results	report positive	pupils	duty to report the results of the tests to NHS Test and Trace and the	provided to all staff	(Covid Co-ordinators
resures	results leading	papiis	school Results to be recorded in register – template to be provided by	provided to an starr	including registration
	to risk of		DfE		assistants)
	transmission				assistantsy
Negative test	Staff and pupils	Staff and	If a member of staff tests negative they must continue to act as	Information	SLT
results create	don't follow	pupils	cautiously and safely as they have previously done and continue to	provided to all staff	
	guidance				

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over confidence				follow all the usual hierarchy of controls (PPE, hand washing, social	(Covid Co-ordinators
in staff				distancing) and should not relax their guard	including registration
					assistants)

I have read the risk assessment and understand and accept its contents form part of my job role. I will keep myself informed of any changes.

Employee Name (Print)		Employee Signature	Date