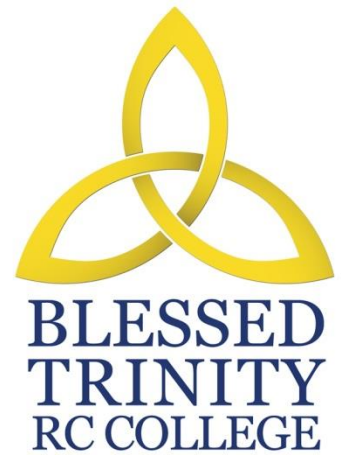


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11 December 2020

Dear Parent



We have had communication with Public Health Lancashire County Council who will be carrying out coronavirus testing of all Blessed Trinity pupils and staff who are attending school next week. Of course, taking this opportunity is entirely voluntary but is seen as an important part of reducing possible infections.

**Year 7 and Year 9 pupils will have the opportunity to be tested.**

**Year 8, Year 10 and Year 11 pupils will not be tested** as they are not attending school next week. Public Health Lancashire County Council have indicated that it is possible that these pupils will be offered tests in the new year.

Pupils and staff who have previously been infected by coronavirus in the last 90 days will not be offered tests.

Pupils and staff who are self-isolating or absent for other reasons will not be offered tests and should remain at home.

It is being planned that the tests will be carried out on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020** in normal school hours. I am awaiting further details from Public Health Lancashire County Council including information on how the tests will be carried out and how Public Health Lancashire County Council will share the results with you. I will pass this information on to you as soon as we have it. Let me re-emphasise that **taking up the offer of these tests is entirely voluntary and that no child will be tested without your consent.**

If your child is in Year 7 or Year 9 please click on the link below to complete the consent form by **1.00pm on Wednesday 16 December 2020:**

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=xfsmUvH8MU6AWufP-sj0Kqvu0Jdn485Gvf8E4KsMZ45UNzgzR08zVE9SWjA5QUJGR0hXOUNSUK5JRi4u>

There is an additional accompanying letter drafted by Public Health Lancashire County Council with further details.

Yours sincerely



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