

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

A few reminders,

- School will start at 10:30am on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022
- Parents to ensure that a lateral flow test or PCR test is completed for your child and, results are emailed over to [office@freshstepsindependentschool.org.uk](mailto:office@freshstepsindependentschool.org.uk) by **9am on Thursday 6th January 2022**, before pupils are on site. Registers are generated by 9:05am, if your child's name is not on the register, they will not be accepted in school.
- The government guidelines advice Secondary pupils to wear masks in school however, due to the needs of our pupils with Speech and Language, Autism, ADHD and other needs we have implemented mandatory lateral flow tests twice a week for **all** secondary pupils. Pupils who want to wear masks, we will happily support this.
- Test for secondary pupils must be sent on **Mondays and Thursdays by 8:30am**. If we have not received the test results by this time, your child will not be accepted into school.
- Masks to be worn in common areas
- Administering covid-19 testing in school – Only for urgent cases.
- If your child arrives to school in a taxi it is your responsibility to ensure that they have done a lateral flow test and it is shown to the taxi driver or the escort.

Pupils who do not participate in testing will not be allowed on the school premises, this is to ensure we keep all our pupils and staff safe also to ensure that we keep our school open.

FreshSteps will not be keeping any pupils onsite who have not completed a COVID-19 test.

Any pupils who spit in school will be immediately removed on a fixed term exclusion, as spitting spreads the virus and makes the virus air borne. Spitting will not be tolerated under any circumstances. Please speak to your child about this and about the implications of this action.

All pupils will need to bring in a clear water plastic bottle to school, any other bottle will be confiscated.

Regards,

Ms Anderson  
Headteacher