



## Lateral Flow COVID 19 Testing in Breda Academy

### PUPIL CONSENT

27 August 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

The COVID 19 testing programme is being led by the Department for Health and Social Care, the NI Department of Health and the NI Department of Education to provide asymptomatic testing in schools and other education settings for staff and pupils (Years 8-14). You can see more information on how this testing works by visiting this link – <https://sway.office.com/whz8dJ46JpeKLcIV?ref=Link>

This letter explains the reasons why and how Breda Academy will record your consent to participate in the Northern Ireland Schools Lateral Flow Covid 19 Testing programme. This involves processing personal data under data protection laws. The school's Data Privacy Notice can be found on the school website.

[https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetsswd/423/downloads/Privacy\\_Note\\_Parents\\_and\\_Pupils\\_May\\_2018.pdf](https://storage.googleapis.com/siteassetsswd/423/downloads/Privacy_Note_Parents_and_Pupils_May_2018.pdf)

**Taking part in testing is voluntary.** There is no expectation or obligation to participate. Nobody should be required to undergo testing without consent, and nobody should be excluded from school if they do not wish to test. A pupil aged 16 or above and who is considered capable of giving their own consent can complete the consent form on their own behalf. Parents/legal guardians of pupils over the age of 16 and not considered capable of giving their own consent should complete the consent form on behalf of the pupil. Consent will also be refreshed where any changes to circumstances occur – this can include, but is not limited to, the following:



- New requirements for consent e.g. a change to the testing approach.
- Changes to school circumstances, e.g. your child changes school.

To enable us to comply with our obligations under the General Data Protection Regulation, we are required to obtain express consent for the use of your child's personal information for participation in the Northern Ireland Schools Lateral Flow Covid 19 Testing programme. Without your consent we will not include your son/daughter in this programme and will not issue them with Lateral Flow Testing kits.

If you wish for your child to take part, please click on the link below to provide your consent as appropriate.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=-yeCOETeDkaBkAVAK4mNqKCqzZN4fJREmK8wMrUibzVUQII3ODIaOVhZUEdOUkJTUUI5M0ZPT0VEWi4u>

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Perry', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr P Perry

Principal