



ROUNDHAY SCHOOL

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COVID UPDATE: 15 December 2021

Following changes to the local and national guidance we have been asked to make you aware of the information below. All guidance is subject to change.

Home testing

All pupils and students are encouraged to continue twice weekly testing at home. If they require further supplies of tests, this can be collected from their form tutor before the end of term. For others in the household, they are available from community test sites, local pharmacies or [online](#).

Daily testing for contacts of COVID-19

From Tuesday 14 December, all adults who are fully vaccinated and children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, who are identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 should take a lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. Anyone over the age of 18 years and 6 months who is not vaccinated, must isolate in line with government guidelines if they are a close contact of a positive case.

Once notified by NHS Test and Trace as a close contact, all eligible staff, pupils and students should take an LFD each day for 7 days and report the results to the [NHS](#) and to [school](#). If they test negative, they can continue to attend their education setting. If they test positive, they should self-isolate and [order a PCR test](#) to confirm the result. If the PCR is positive, they must self-isolate for 10 days. If the PCR test is negative, they no longer need to self-isolate but should continue to carry out the remainder of the daily tests, and only need to isolate if it is positive.

Vaccinations

All adults are being encouraged to book a booster dose, in addition to the first two doses of the vaccine. You can pre-book your booster dose online if it has been 2 months (61 days) since you had your second dose.

16 and 17 year olds can receive two doses of the COVID vaccine. They can book an appointment through the [national booking system](#) or attend available walk in centres.

12-15 year olds will be offered a second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, following advice from JCVI. Parents of children aged 12-15 that have not yet had their first vaccine are encouraged to book their child's first vaccination slot over the winter break via the [national booking system](#). Information on vaccination for 12 to 15 year olds can be found in the [COVID-19 vaccine for children aged 12 to 15 guidance](#).

Visiting school

In line with new government guidance visitors to school are currently being asked to:

1. take a lateral flow device test before coming to school
2. wear a face covering when moving around inside and in crowded/enclosed spaces

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