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SCHOOL TESTING



Important information about school testing

Dear Parent or Guardian

In its resolution of 16 December 2020 (Prot. No. 1126/ 2020) the government decided to adopt a comprehensive vaccination and testing strategy which will include regular testing in schools. Repeated testing can be an effective tool in breaking the chain of coronavirus transmission early. In addition to the existing protective measures, weekly tests in schools are another way of maintaining face-to-face teaching for as long as possible.

The aim is to test all students as well as teaching and support staff at our school as far as possible, using the new PCR saliva test. This test method means there is no need to take nose and throat swabs. We hope that, as parent or guardian, you will support school testing and give us permission for your child to be tested.

The PCR saliva tests will always be integrated into the normal school routine on a specific day of the week. The individual saliva tests will be pooled at the time of testing and sent to the laboratory as a "class sample". The Headteacher will receive the result for the "class sample" within one day. If a class's result is positive, further individual tests will be done. The laboratory will notify you of the individual test result directly as the child's parent or guardian. No one except you will be informed of the individual test result. If your child's test result is positive, it is important you notify the class teacher immediately.

To enable us to do the testing, please complete and sign the enclosed consent form and data protection declaration and give it to your child to bring into school. The consent form and data protection declaration will be valid for all school testing done up until the summer holidays 2021. If you do not consent to the testing, please put a cross in the appropriate box on the enclosed consent form.

We are counting on your support – many thanks! Further information can be found at www.gr.ch/scolatests. If you have any questions, please contact either the Head-teacher or the cantonal hotline for school testing.



Kind regards

Enclosures:

- Consent form
- Data protection declaration



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