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Quarantine at Winchester College

We will be providing a quarantine facility that combines airport transfers, accommodation and test to release:

- Arrival on 12 April: Airport transfers would bring pupils to Winchester, where on arrival they will be tested on the SAMBA system before joining their quarantine accommodation. All frontline boarding staff dealing with quarantine will also be tested.
- Tests to release on 17 April: On receipt of a negative test to release result, pupils will be released from quarantine. They would then be expected to remain on campus for activities provided by the school. The asymptomatic screening of UK-based pupils will start on 19 April and the school will be back to full capacity by the end of that week.
- Pupils will be given reminders and assistance for the two government tests on days 2 and 8. These will be collected and sent centrally.
- If pupils test positive in any of the tests described above we would provide separate isolation accommodation away from the quarantine houses. If pupils are unwell, then they would be cared for at our Medical Centre.

Parents and guardians may of course make their own quarantine arrangements in April. However, it is important to note that the swab for the test to release cannot then be taken at Winchester College by our trained nurses because your son would not be able to leave their quarantine accommodation until they have had a negative test to release result.

Please would you complete the form ([Winchester College Quarantine Form](#)) to communicate travel and quarantine arrangements to us. To help in your planning, the staggered return in April will be as follows:

Testing	Booking availability
VI Book 1 (Year 13)	0800 – 1830 Monday 19 April
V Book (Year 11)	0800 – 1830 Tuesday 20 April
VI Book 2 (Year 12)	0800 – 1830 Wednesday 21 April
Middle Part (Year 10)	0800 – 1830 Thursday 22 April
Junior Part (Year 9)	0800 – 1830 Friday 23 April
Overspill (any year group)	As required Saturday 24 April

Quarantine in the UK

Information as of 2 March 2021:

- If you have been in or through any of the [Red List](#) countries in the previous 10 days, you will be refused entry to the UK unless you are a British or Irish National, or you have residence rights in the UK.
- All arrivals to UK must quarantine for 10 days:
 - Red List arrivals who meet UK entry requirements must quarantine in a government approved hotel and purchase the quarantine package (£1750). They may not use the “Test to Release” scheme. At the moment, until we receive further information about permitted Red List arrivals, pupils in this situation will have to be accompanied by their parent or guardian as they will not be permitted to stay in the hotel unaccompanied.



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- Non-Red List arrivals are not required to quarantine in the government approved hotels and are able to use the “Test to Release” scheme, which allows them to be released from quarantine on day 5.
- All arrivals to the UK must purchase two postal tests at a total cost of £210: When you complete your passenger locator form in the 48 hours before your flight into UK, you will be asked to purchase a test package that will be sent to your quarantine address in the UK. The test package will have a reference number, which will be a required field in your passenger locator form. These tests are self-swabbed PCR postal tests, which must be administered on day 2 and day 8 of quarantine. This is irrespective of the test to release. In practice then, this will mean pupils will need to administer the first postal PCR test on day 2, they can then be released on day 5 from quarantine by a test to release, but will need to complete the further postal PCR test on day 8. The government tests on days 2 and 8 are for their variant surveillance programme.