



Dear Parents and Carers

I want to thank you for your patience as we have worked through the supply and distribution issues surrounding the Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) kits. Oran Park High School received our second shipment of kits today and the Department of Education has changed the requirements regarding their distribution to make it easier for parents and carers to access them.

From now on students will be able to bring home an allocation of RAT kits with parental permission and this will be done in two ways:

- **For parents and carers who have picked up RAT kits previously from the school** – Your child will automatically be given five kits to bring home on Tuesday 8 February unless you contact the school to say you do not want them sent.
- **For parents and carers who have not picked up RAT kits previously from the school but would like them to be sent home with your child** – Please email the school at oranpark-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au to give your permission, including your child / children's names and year group and they will be given five kits to bring home on Tuesday 8 February.

In both instances, we ask that parents remove the RAT kits from their child's bag that afternoon or evening. The kits you will be given will provide testing for the next two and a half weeks.

Please note: Surveillance testing using Rapid Antigen Testing is highly recommended by NSW Health and the Department of Education to assist in keeping our students safe but it is not mandatory.

Parents who do not wish to receive the RAT kits do not need to take any further action.

We will continue to keep you updated if there are any further developments in this area, including the need for testing beyond the next few weeks. Once again, thank you for your support of the school.

Regards

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Principal
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