

Attendance for the whole school last week was 93.9%

If your child is too poorly to attend please let us know on the first day of absence on 0115 9155725

Green is good! – Let's make sure all our classes this academic year are in the green and hit our target of 96.5% or above

Seahorses 83%		Dolphins 88%	Foxes 96.7%	Badgers 95.7%	Hares 98.7%
Flamingos	Toucans	Parrots	Lions	Tigers	Jaguars
92.7%	90.6%	89.4%	97.4%	95.6%	97%

Congratulations to the Hares who achieved 98.7% attendance and have won £9.87 for their class money bank!

<u>Parent Consultation about changes to the school week from September 2021:</u> Please follow this link to a letter and survey regarding a consultation on a permanent change to the school week in line with our current arrangements for a Friday afternoon. We are seeking views of our stakeholders to understand the impact of this potential change so please have your say by completing the survey. Governors and Senior Leaders will write to you in the coming weeks with the outcome of this consultation.

Governors have asked that we clarify some points already raised to offer some further clarity:

Question - Do my children need to be in school at 8:35am every day?

Answer - No, you can drop off your child/children at any time between 8:35am and 8:45am and they can go straight into their class. This gives greater flexibility to parents.

Question - Are the children who stay for Rainbow Club, on a Friday afternoon, receiving extra lessons? **Answer** - No, Rainbow Club is a childcare facility not linked to the school's curriculum.

Question - Which families can access the Friday afternoon Rainbow Club?

Answer - Rainbow club is primarily for the children of working families, however, we are always happy to talk to parents/carers if they feel they have an exceptional circumstance and require Friday afternoon childcare.

Link to letter and questionnaire - https://bit.ly/3318gMl

All pupils are expected to achieve the attendance target of at least 96%

- It is the parent's responsibility to contact school on the first day of their child's absence
- School will attempt to contact parents by text or telephone if the reason for an absence has not been reported by 9.20am
- If school has not been informed of a child's reason for an absence by the following day, then an unauthorised absence mark (O code) will be recorded on the child's registration certificate
- If a child has been absent for 3 or more days, parents may be asked to provide medical documentation to support the number of days taken for the absence Did you know that...
- 1 day off in a school week will mean that your child has only achieved 80% attendance that week!
- ♣ 5 days of absence in a 6-week half term means that your child has only achieved 83.4% for the half term!





<u>May half term:</u> A reminder that we finish today for May half term which is from Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June. All pupils should return to school on 7th June 21.

<u>Years 3,4,5 & 6</u>: WANTED- CLEAR, PLASTIC BOTTLES We need a plastic bottle for each child, cleaned and dried for a writing display. Smaller bottles will be better than the large litre bottles. Please ask your child to give their bottle to their class teacher by Thursday 17th June. Many thanks in advance.



Positive Mental Health and Well-Being at Heathfield

Six Ways To Well-Being
Connect
Be Active
Take Notice
Give
Keep Learning
Care

This half term we are focusing on the well-being area of

Keep Learning

Learning is about gaining new knowledge, developing skills and having new experiences that enrich our lives. Learning is about challenging ourselves to do something different or improve upon what we've done before. Learning new things helps us to broaden our minds and helps us gain insight into life, ourselves, and the world around us, which are all good things for our mental wellbeing.

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Some of this week's well-being activities include 'Everyone has feelings!', and a YouTube clip to show children a magic trick.

Missy Moo Well-Being Keep Learning 6 - YouTube

<u>Behavior Policy:</u> Following a successful trial in KS1 over the Spring term we will be making changes to our behaviour policy in the EYFS and KS2. The main difference is that we will be using different coloured slips to let you know when your child has done something you should know about, both positive and negative. The table below explains the different colours (we would love to have used gold paper but the budget didn't quite stretch that far so we have had to go with yellow!)

Slip Colour	Reason for the Slip		
Gold (yellow paper)	an always child who has gone above and beyond.		
Green	for a child who has turned their behaviour around and had a good day.		
Orange	for a child who has missed 5 minutes or all of their break due to unacceptable behaviour.		
Red	for any further unacceptable behaviour after missing 5 minutes of a break or a whole break.		

If you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

For further information about the behavior policy, please take a look at our parent guide https://bit.ly/3rb52ve

<u>Friday Afternoon Rainbow Club Signup</u>: Please use this link to sign up your child/children to Rainbow Club on Friday 11th June: https://bit.ly/3oWEUnr

This club is only open to single parent/carer working families or families where both parent/carers work on a Friday afternoon. Evidence will be required if it has not already been given.

If required this form must be completed by 2pm on Thursday afternoon.





AFC Vernon is a charter Standard Club. We work in partnership with Nottingham City Council.

We have existing teams in the Young Elizabethan Football league and the Notts Youth Football League. We are looking for primary school Girls & Boys aged 5,6 and 7 years old to join our club to either play for fun and fitness or join a competition. Training will take place on Sunday mornings from 9am to 10am on Vernon Park, Basford NG6 0AE.

All of our coaches are minimum FA level 1 qualified and are all DBS checked. Parents are welcome to get involved but will need a DBS check to be carried out.

For further information please contact: Pat Gordon 07505 783232 or Tom Conroy 07847 782260

<u>Fill the library with new books!</u> A good school library isn't just important for academic achievement. Reading for pleasure also improves children's wellbeing. National Book Tokens big prize draw is back and our school needs you! Help us win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for the school library - and get £100 for yourself! Just enter the competition online, it only takes a minute:

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools The closing date is Saturday 31st July 2021, and the winner will be announced in the autumn term. Thank you

Relationship and Sex Education: Following feedback from the Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) questionnaire, the PSHE team have created a document that advises parent and carers about the new changes in the RSE curriculum. Please ensure you read through this document to familiarise yourselves with what your child will be learning during RSE lessons. Link to the documentation https://bit.ly/3xQk2Ce

Upcoming Activities

Brake's Kids Walk	National Clean Air Day	Nottingham Contemporary	The Science Centre
16 th Jun	17 th Jun		
https://bit. ly/3p0v17X	CleanAirDay https://bit.ly/3p6lzjK	Digital Activities from Nottingham Contemporary https://bit.ly/3uwCDAp	Green's Windmill and Science Centre in Sneinton is open but you need to book a FREE ticket for entry: https://bit.ly/3vwNADt

<u>Self-Isolation Guidance:</u> A reminder to all parents/carers that should anyone in your house have Covid-19 symptoms or have received a positive test result, **all members of the household should self-isolate for 10 days and not attend school.**

Please let school know if anyone in your household is self-isolating or has had a positive Covid test result using our out of hours email covidreporting@heathfield.nottingham.sch.uk

Please find a letter below from Nottingham City Council regarding vaccinations:

Dear Parents and Carers

27 May 2021

'Grab your jab' and help to keep Nottingham Schools safe

We're making a fresh call for all eligible adults in Nottingham to get vaccinated against Covid-19.

We want everyone to have the protection offered by the vaccine to reduce the spread of the virus – and to help the city's continued unlocking of Covid-19 restrictions.

The more people who take up the offer of a vaccine, the greater the protection afforded to all local communities and our schools. Like you, we want to move towards 21 June when all remaining social restrictions might be lifted by the Government.

We don't want to return to lockdown.

Currently, everyone over the age of 30 can get the vaccine – to book your appointment, visit www.nhs.uk/covidvaccine or call 119.

Anyone over the age of 40 does not need to book; they can simply turn up to any of our local vaccination centres.

We want everyone to have the vaccine.

We understand that there may be valid reasons for people to be a little unsure or hesitant about having the jab. If you haven't yet taken up the opportunity to be vaccinated, you haven't missed your opportunity; anyone can change their mind. The NHS currently has a good supply of the vaccine – plenty for everyone in our city who is eligible.

People might also be concerned about the Covid-19 variant that originated in India. Latest research shows the vaccine is still effective against this variant.

If you have questions, the <u>local NHS has a webpage</u> with lots of frequently asked questions and mythbusters.

You can find a <u>list of the vaccination centres here</u>.

It is important families continue to follow national guidance and when not showing any symptoms conduct twice weekly testing using free, rapid COVID tests. This identifies those unseen cases that can still spread the infection. Please visit www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/asymptomatictesting for further information.

Let's all work together to keep each other safe and protected so that we can move forward out of this pandemic.

Cllr David Mellen

Leader Nottingham City Council **David Johns**

Interim Director of Public Health Nottingham City Council

Returning to school following a positive case of Covid-19: Staff, students and pupils who had a positive LFD test result, and their close contacts and other members of their household, should self-isolate immediately in line with NHS Test and Trace guidance and while awaiting the PCR result. If the PCR test is negative (a negative LFD test result is not acceptable), it overrides the LFD test and the staff, pupil or student can return to school or college, and their close contacts can also end their self-isolation. You can get twice-weekly test via one of four ways; note these kits are not available from your child's school. Secondary school and college students aged 11 and above will continue to access their own regular rapid tests directly through their school or college.

Via Your employer

Your workplace may offer rapid lateral flow testing to you. Contact your employer to find out more.

Testing at a local Community Test Site

Testing at these sites is assisted, which means you will swab yourself under the supervision of a trained operator. You do not need to make an appointment.

They are currently at three locations in Nottingham:

Further details are available here:

www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/asymptomatictesting

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Collect test kits

You can collect 2 packs of home test kits at a local collection point. Each pack contains 7 tests. Anyone 18 or over can collect. You do not need to make an appointment. Do not visit a collection point outside opening hours, as it may be used to test people with coronavirus symptoms outside these times. Details of how to find your nearest test collection site are here:

https://find-covid-19-rapid-test-sites.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk/

Order home test kits online

If you cannot get tested at your workplace or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a home test kit online. Do not order online if you can get a test through other methods. This frees up home delivery for those who need it most. Order rapid lateral flow home test kits

What twice-weekly testing involves. You will be asked to:

- take a test twice a week (every 3 or 4 days apart)
- report every result to NHS Test and Trace on the same day you take the test
- Report your test result online or by calling 119.

If anyone tests positive or gets coronavirus symptoms, they should tell the school and:

- self-isolate immediately
- get a PCR test to confirm the result via https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test
- follow the stay at home guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection

A negative result means the test did not find signs of coronavirus. But this does not guarantee you do not have coronavirus, so you should keep following all coronavirus advice including:

- regular handwashing
- social distancing.

If you have any questions about this process contact NHS on 119, please do not contact the school.



Parents with children at nurseries, schools and colleges

A guide to regular rapid Covid-19 testing



Regular rapid testing is now available for parents, their households and bubbles.

Regular rapid testing is a fast and easy way to find out if you have coronavirus and help protect your loved ones and community. It's free and takes around 30 minutes.

Why introduce regular rapid testing?

Up to 1 in 3 people who have Covid-19 have no symptoms and could be spreading it without knowing.

Regular rapid testing is now available for parents of nursery, school children and college students. As well as adults in their households, childcare and support bubbles.

Regular testing for people without symptoms is already taking place across the country. Thousands of people who didn't know they had the virus have been able to take action to stop the spread of the disease.

As lockdown restrictions ease, getting into the regular habit of twice weekly testing will play an important role in getting back to normal; alongside the vaccine, following the hands, face, space guidance, and social distancing measures.

Regular testing for school staff and students

Regular rapid testing is already available to all staff at nursery, primary and secondary schools and colleges.

Secondary school and college students aged 11 and above will continue to access regular rapid tests directly through their school or college. And we continue to encourage them to get tested.

On return they will initially be supervised while testing at school and then continue to test themselves at home with test kits they will get from school or college.

Nursery and primary school children are not being asked to be tested as evidence continues to show that children and young people are at low risk from Covid-19 and are very unlikely to get seriously ill.

What is the benefit to you?

By taking part in regular rapid testing, you'll be protecting yourself and your loved ones. And helping us all get back to a more normal way of life.



How does it work?

It's a simple swab test you can do at home, school, work or test site, using a Lateral Flow Device (LFD). It takes around 30 minutes to find out if you have the virus.

The test detects viral proteins that are present when someone has Covid-19. Research from Public Health England and Oxford University shows that they pick up the vast majority of people in the most infectious stage of the disease. With up to 1 in 3 people who have the virus showing no symptoms – they could be spreading it without knowing.

Testing should take place twice a week, every three – five days, ideally in the morning. Why not add this to your morning routine?

If you test negative, you can continue to go to work. You should still strictly follow all other government guidelines and avoid all unnecessary contact. If you, your household or bubble test positive, you should all self-isolate immediately. And then the person who has tested positive should also take a confirmatory PCR test and follow latest government guidance.

For more information visit gov.uk/guidance/ understanding-lateral-flow-antigen-testingfor-people-without-symptoms



YouTube Introduction to Rapid Lateral Flow testing

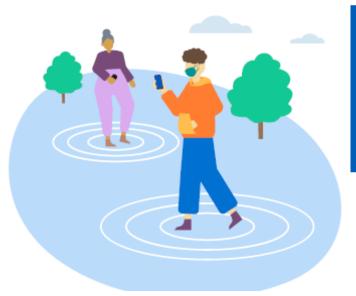


Reporting your test

You should report your results online straight away, even if your result is negative or void. It's easy to do at: gov.uk/report-covid19-result

Results can also be reported via telephone by calling 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day, 7am to 11pm.

If you have tested positive, you can also check to see if you are eligible for the £500 Test and Trace Support Payment.



Where can I get tested?

If you are a parent or adult of a household, childcare or support bubble you can either:

- Get an assisted test at work if it is available.
- Attend a test site to get tested (where you will be able to see how to take the test) or pick up tests to do at home.
- Order a test online to do at home.

To find out how to get a free rapid Covid-19 test visit <u>gov.uk/coronavirus-</u> school-household-testing

Regular rapid testing is for those without symptoms of Coronavirus. If you have symptoms, you should continue to book through nhs.uk/coronavirus