Dear Parent / Carer,

From 1 March 2021 all adults in households with school and college age children **without symptoms** can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing (Lateral Flow Device Tests).

Please do not share kits with your child if they are under 11. If your child has covid symptoms you should immediately obtain a PCR test via this website https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test. If your child has covid symptoms, a negative LFD test will not allow them to return to school early.

Also refer to the accompanying leaflet for more information.

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:

WHERE:	Clifton Community Centre 14 Southchurch Dr, Clifton NG11 8AR	The Portland Centre Muskham Street, The Meadows NG2 2HE	Djanogly Community Leisure Centre Gregory Boulevard NG7 6ND
WHEN:	Sunday/Monday: CLOSED Tuesday: 8am – 6pm Wednesday: 7am – 5pm Thursday/Friday: 8am – 6pm Saturday: 8.30am – 1pm	Sunday/Monday: CLOSED Tuesday: 8am – 6pm Wednesday: 7am – 5pm Thursday/Friday: 8am – 6pm Saturday: 8.30am – 1pm	Monday-Friday: 9.30am – 6.30pm Saturday: 9.30am – 2.30pm Sunday: CLOSED

No need to book, just drop in.
Please don't attend if you are showing symptoms of Covid-19. Under 16s must come with an adult. Full support will be available if you test positive.

www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/asymptomatictesting

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Further details are available here:
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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.