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NEWSLETTER
17TH NOVEMBER 2023

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Upcoming Dates:

Next Week...

- Individual photos day (Tuesday 21st November)
- Year 5 residential (Wednesday 22nd-Friday 24th November)

Further ahead...

- **E-Safety Day (Tuesday 28th November)**
- **New Starters (2024) Open Evening (Wednesday 6th December 5:30pm-6:00pm)**

All Christmas dates see below

Staffing Updates

Mrs O'Leary leaves us at the end of this term to take up a position at a school in the city. She had been with us for a number of years and we are sad to see her go but we know she will keep in touch. For those of you that don't yet know, Miss Parker will go off on maternity leave soon. We have been really busy finding the best teachers to replace both Miss Parker and Mrs O'Leary. I will be able to let you know next week who they are, once their current school have informed their parents.

Soon into the next term, both Mrs Smith (Reception) and Miss Wilkinson (Nursery) will also commence maternity leave! I will keep you posted on who will replace these members of staff.

It's great to welcome back Mrs Stoddart for one day a week to cover in Y2 and Y3.

I have recently reduced my working hours to 4 days a week which are Mon-Thurs. Mr Drayton takes full responsibility of the school every Friday. I know I am very lucky to have been given the opportunity to do this!
K Collins

Winter clothing donation

Thank you for all your support with our clothing sale this week. We raised £280 for our charitable causes that we are supporting this year.

Ongoing works

Thank you for your patience amidst the work going on around our Y3-6 classrooms. This has been completed today with final touches to be made next week. We look forward to our children using the new play equipment – we are sure the wait will be worth it!

Christmas Fayre

Save the date for our Christmas Fayre - Saturday 2nd December. We hope to see you there! If anyone knows of any local businesses that may be able to donate a prize for our raffle please let us know.

If you have any books, teddies/soft toys in good condition that you able to donate (between Mon. 27th - Weds. 29th Nov) they would be greatly appreciated. We would also love any new/unused but unwanted items for our tombola. Cake donations would gratefully received the day before the fayre.

All money raised will be re-spent on the children, currently on the outdoor play area, the allotment and new play equipment.



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Hannukah Assembly

The Jewish Liberal Synagogue visited us on Wednesday for an assembly about the upcoming Jewish festival of Hannukah. The children were impeccably behaved as always as asked some pertinent questions about Hannukah.



Diwali Celebrations in Reception Classes

Our parent visitors provided an incredible experience for the children by making diva lights. The children have been so engaged making Rangoli patterns and talking about lighting their divas. Next week, we are going to be making and tasting Laddu sweets as The Festival of Light celebration continues!



Children in Need Day

Thank you for all your support and donations for Children in Need day today. It was lovely to see the children so excited – Pudsey even made an appearance at break time! We raised £377 – thank you to all.



Christmas Dates

Letters went out last week for the Christmas experiences for our children this year. Please pay for trips via Parent Pay as soon as possible.

Other Christmas Dates include:

- Christmas Fayre Saturday 2nd December
- Christmas Dinner Day Thursday 7th December
- EYFS Christmas Performance Tuesday 12th December @ 10:30pm and 1:45pm
- KS1 Christmas Performance Thursday 14th December @ 10:30pm and 1:45pm
- Rock Steady Christmas Performance Friday 15th December 2pm
- Choir performing at local care homes 19th December
- Christmas Jumper Day and Buddy Club Cinema Visit Wednesday 20th December

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EYFS and KS1 Christmas Performances

- EYFS Christmas Performance Tuesday 12th December @ 10:30am and 1:45pm
- KS1 Christmas Performance Thursday 14th December @ 10:30am and 1:45pm

Tickets are now available on ParentPay at a cost of £1 per ticket. Tickets are currently limited to x2 tickets per child per performance. **Please purchase your tickets by Thursday 7th December.** Any additional tickets left over will go on sale after this point. Printed tickets will be given nearer the event.

England Rocks Competition

This week, from Tuesday-Thursday, schools across England took part in a TTRS competition. As a school, we finished 456th from 4355 schools which was in the top 11% - an amazing effort! Children will receive certificates for their efforts and participation next week.



Tag Rugby Club

Our Tag Rugby Club children have just finished their autumn club. Their smiling faces say it all – a wonderful bunch who have had great fun each week. Thank you to Miss Simpson who has given up her time each week for the children.





NSPCC Childline

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CHILDREN'S VOICES ARE SO EASILY MISSED, BUT WE LISTEN

Join our
Childline
volunteers

like Susan, volunteer Childline counsellor

Our Nottingham base needs more volunteers. Could you spare four hours each week and be here for children when they need us most? Visit nspcc.org.uk/childlinevolunteer

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Would you like to support Childline; a helpline for children and young people up to the age of 19. It predominately relies on the goodwill of volunteers to answer calls, 121 online chats and emails from young people all over the UK on a range of issues. In 2022-2023 the service delivered nearly 200,000 counselling sessions which is on average 16,300 a month. With the cost-of-living crisis, mental health issues rising, online safety problems amongst many other adversities, more children are needing somewhere safe to seek support and to be heard.

Have you got what it takes to be a Childline volunteer?

- 4.5 hours a week (daytime, evening or weekends)
- Passion and enthusiasm to listen and support young people
- No previous experience required – full training provided
- The ability to get to the Nottingham base which is near Nottingham city centre (Travel expenses reimbursed)
- A desire to make friends and become part of a friendly, supportive community

If so, here is a link to learn more about the volunteer counsellor role and other opportunities: [Volunteering for NSPCC and Childline | NSPCC](#)

Attendance

School Attendance Target	96%
Attendance this week	96%
Class(es) with the highest attendance	5S – 100%

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Supporting Learning At Home

There are several ways you can help your child with learning at home. Log onto any of the following sites we have subscribed to or pick up a book from The Reading Olympiad. If you have any questions about log in details, or wish for work to be set for your child, please contact your class teacher.

Mathematics



Reading



The Reading Olympiad

Science



Music



Learning from home
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Whole Curriculum

