



# 'INSPIRE, RESPECT, SUCCEED'

NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

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## Upcoming Dates:

### **Week beginning 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

- w/c 31<sup>st</sup> March: Year 6 Hagg Farm Residential (6A 31<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>, 6S 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> April: Parents Evenings for Year 1 - 4 parents (bookings can be made up until 1<sup>st</sup>)

### **This half term**

- 7<sup>th</sup> April – 21<sup>st</sup> April: School closed for Easter Holidays
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April: School re-opens to all pupils
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May: Bank Holiday – School closed.

## Rock Steady

Today we have had our termly Rock Steady concert. The children have been practising in their bands for the past few weeks and today got to perform in front of the whole school and after to their parents. They showed such amazing confidence and talent, and should be really proud of themselves, it was a very enjoyable afternoon.

Photos and videos to follow on our school website!

## Mother's Day Sale



The Mother's Day sale this morning was a success, as always. The children enjoyed picking presents for their loved ones and we hope you enjoy them!

If your children forgot to bring their money you are still able to bring it to the office.

Thank you to our PTA for managing the event.

## Parents Evenings

Thank you to all parent and carers who attended parents' evenings this week. Next week we welcome parents from Years 1 – 4 into school. Bookings are still available to make through class dojo or by contacting the class teacher.

## VE Day 8<sup>th</sup> May

We will be commemorating the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe Day on Thursday 8th May. Further details will follow but there will be opportunity for families to join us in school to mark the occasion from 2:00pm so please save the date in your diaries now.



We are looking for any photos or stories from our community from the day itself in 1945. If you do have anything you would be willing to share then please do let Mrs. Howarth or Mr. Drayton know as this will form part of the learning experience for the children on the day.



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### Letter from the Governors – Parental Survey

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well.

On behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community this year. Your partnership plays a vital role in creating the best possible environment for our children to learn and grow.

We are inviting you to take part in the **2025 Parent Survey**. This survey is being conducted to gather your views on our school and identify areas for continued improvement. Your feedback is invaluable to us as we strive to enhance the educational experience for all our students.

Please rest assured that your responses will remain completely confidential. To participate, simply scan the QR code below, or simply click on this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/TYEKdj4682>, which will take you directly to the survey. It should take no more than 10 minutes to complete.

We kindly ask that the survey is completed by **Thursday, 17th April 2025**.

If you have any questions or require assistance in completing the survey, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you once again for your continued support and for taking the time to share your thoughts.

Yours sincerely,  
Mr. P. Bailey  
Chair of Governors

Parent Survey 2025





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## Class Mixing Parental Survey Responses

We recently gave an opportunity for parents to give their views on the classes mixing as we set new classes for new academic years. The survey ran from 12<sup>th</sup> February to 2<sup>nd</sup> March. We had 47 responses with the results given as below:

I believe my child now has a wider circle of friends from school than they did at the end of the last academic year	
Strongly Agree	8
Agree	16
Neutral	15
Disagree	4
Strongly Disagree	4

I believe my child has friends across both classes in their year group	
Strongly Agree	13
Agree	25
Neutral	6
Disagree	2
Strongly Disagree	1

I believe my child has greater social confidence than they did at the end of the last academic year	
Strongly Agree	5
Agree	11
Neutral	19
Disagree	10
Strongly Disagree	2

I would discuss with my child their preferences for classes for 2025-2026	
Strongly Agree	33
Agree	12
Neutral	2
Disagree	0
Strongly Disagree	0

The results show a clear desire for parents to be involved in the process.

### Any other comments

We had a huge number of positive comments from parents within this section which described how year groups felt less segregated, individual children had thrived with different peers around them and that it was a necessary part of preparing children for transition. A number of parents also highlighted that, even though they had initial worries, they are now convinced it had been a good change.

We have responded to other comments below with our next steps to act on your feedback:



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Comments	Actions
The children's thoughts and requests need to be considered.	As stated, children and adults will be offered their views on which friends to be placed with.
There should be a consideration for whether twins are together or separated.	We will discuss with parents of twins class choices.
Children with SEND finding the mixing of classes difficult as they need stability and routine	We will continue to support all pupils, including those with SEND, in effective and successful transition. We recognise that the experience of change is different for all children and some find this harder than others. As part of this process we have reviewed our transition timetable with the view of supporting children even better than before.
The gender balance between the two classes my child is in is not even	In year groups where there is a larger % of either boys or girls, it is impossible to make these split evenly. However, one of the aims of class mixing is to address this imbalance as much as possible.
Children were uncertain over what the choosing of friends actually meant	We will ensure this year children and parents are aware that their preferences chosen relate to class arrangements.
Children had to choose five friends when they did not want to choose that many	We will ensure this year children and parents know that the preference number is a maximum and not a target.
Children finding the transition between EYFS and KS1 difficult	We have added additional pre-transition sessions this year to support effective and successful transition.
Concerns over children being split now will affect their secondary school places.	Classes at primary schools have no bearing on secondary school allocations. Preferences are entirely down to parents and are resolved by the Nottinghamshire County Council Admissions team.
Primary children are too young to be constantly swapping and need time to develop friendships	Mixing classes is common practice amongst primary schools as it promotes children having a wider social circle and social confidence. Positive, long-lasting friendships will still be possible and promoted through the entirety of their time at Beardall Fields.

## Transition Dates For Parents

January 2025	Governor pupil voice completed
March 2025	Parental voice completed
Before April 4th	Feedback given to wider community and governors on the mixing of classes
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Form given to children and parents for class swap preferences. Assembly and lessons in class on the day will give the same, clear messages to all



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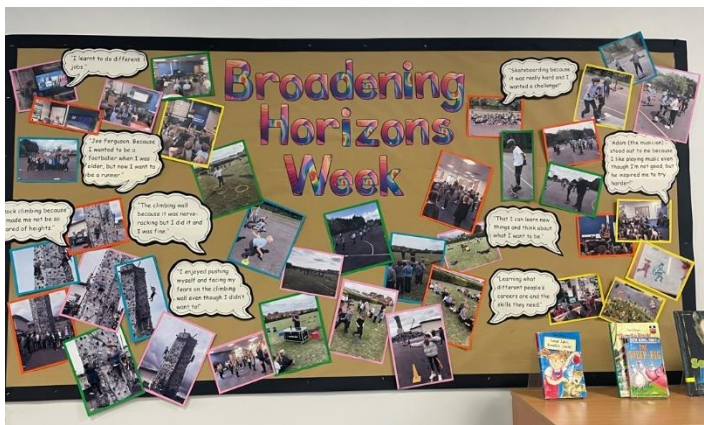
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	about what makes a good friend in the classroom and next steps.
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Deadline for the form to be returned. Pupils to complete in school if no form is returned.
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Children and parents informed of new class. Pre-transition activities in school.
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Pre-transition activities in school.
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Pre-transition activities in school.
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Whole school transition day where pupils trial a day with their new teacher and classes.

## Broadening Horizons



We are delighted to say that planning is well under way for our Broadening Horizons Week 2025 which takes place from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July-Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July. For families who did not experience last years inaugural event, the week is filled with experiences and special guests that seek to raise aspirations and develop character. It is not to be missed and we are sure this year will be as successful as the last.

As part of the week, we are in the processing of arranging some career talks for the children to increase their awareness, broaden their horizons and inspire them for

the future. If you, or someone you know, are interested in talking to the children about your career (past or present) we would love to hear from you. Please contact Mr. Drayton via ClassDojo or [sdrayton@beardallfields.org.uk](mailto:sdrayton@beardallfields.org.uk) to express interest or to request more information.

## KS2 Dodgeball



A huge well done to our KS2 dodgeball team who took part in a competition at Hawthorn Primary School on Wednesday. They were a huge credit to the school, working as a team, cheering each other on and showing some brilliant dodgeball skills. Mrs Metcalf, Mrs Bramall and Mrs Colegate were so impressed. Well done we are so proud of you all.

## Attendance

School Attendance Target	97 %
Attendance this week	96%
Class(es) with the highest attendance	RF – 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.

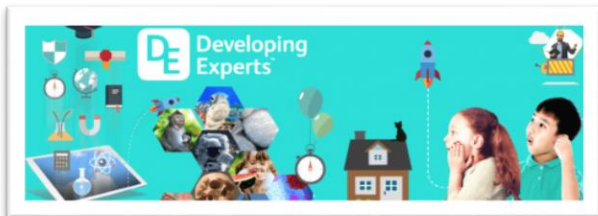
Mathematics

Reading



Science

Music



Whole Curriculum





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## Outside School

**Easter Half Term Sports Camp**  
Jelly Fitness  
April 2025  
Tuesday 8th, Wednesday 9th, Thursday 10th  
Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th, Thursday 17th  
Days filled with fun, games, and activities for children aged 5 - 12 years old  
From £20 per child per day  
Breakfast club 7:30am to 5pm - £30  
8:30am to 5pm - £25  
9am - 3pm - £20  
Children must bring own lunch  
**Location: Leen Mills Primary School**  
Booking **essential** due to limited spaces  
[www.jellyfitness.co.uk/kids](http://www.jellyfitness.co.uk/kids)

**ARE YOU AGED 6-11?  
CAN YOU SWIM 50M?  
WANT TO JOIN A FRIENDLY & COMPETITIVE CLUB?  
DO YOU WANT A NEW CHALLENGE?**  
WE OFFER HIGH QUALITY COACHING TO SUPPORT SWIMMERS THROUGH THEIR JOURNEY.  
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**HUCKNALL SWIMMING CLUB**

- Sessions at Hucknall LC, Southglade LC, Ken Martin LC & Harvey Hadden.

EMAIL: [hucknallswimmingclub@gmail.com](mailto:hucknallswimmingclub@gmail.com)  
WEBSITE:



### Easter Event

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025

1pm – 3pm

At Jamie Brough Pavilion (Kenbrook Road, Hucknall, NG15 8HR)



Free Easter fun for children of all ages, including Easter crafts and physical activities supported by Everyone Active. Come along and join in the fun.

All children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, please call the centre on 0115 9773748.

Helping families get the right support at the right time



**S4K S4K FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT CAMP!**

**@ THE KIMBERLEY SCHOOL**  
7th -10th April 2025  
**LEARN NEW SKILLS  
PLAY FUN TOURNAMENTS  
MAKE NEW FRIENDS!**

9:30am – 3:30pm  
£15 per day  
Ages 5-13

**BOOK NOW**

Our All Day Kids Football Camp provides safe fun filled all day childcare Monday–Thursday from 9:30 am to 3:30pm for 5 to 13 year olds. Bookable as individual days or a week at a time, our enthusiastic and caring sports entertainers make sure every child is making new friends, trying different things and learning new skills.

**WWW.SPORT4KIDS.BIZ 0300 303 3866**



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## Easter Holiday Clubs

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years

Running at:

- Arnbrook Primary School, Arnold
- Banks Road Primary, Toton
- Hawthorne Primary & Nursery School, Bestwood Park
- Hucknall Flying High Academy, Hucknall
- John Hunt Academy, Newark
- Lantern Lane Primary School, East Leake
- Millside Spencer Academy, East Leake
- Radcliffe Infant & Nursery School, Radcliffe
- Rosecliffe Spencer Academy, Edwalton
- St Edmund Campion Catholic Primary, West Bridgford
- St Peters Academy, East Bridgford
- Westdale Junior School, Mapperley
- William Lilley Infant & Nursery School, Stapleford

These are open to all children (you don't have to attend the school to go to the holiday club).

To book visit [www.rattleandrollperformance.com](http://www.rattleandrollperformance.com). All childcare vouchers accepted.

Bookings for funded places open on 10th March - more details to follow!

Free places for children in receipt of benefits related free school meals



Nottinghamshire County Council  
Department for Education

# kids Easter HAF

Funded School Holiday Club places  
Age 4 to 14

Register and Book Online Today

Activities include:

- | Arts 'n' Crafts |
- | Mental Health Awareness |
- | Exploring the World in Sport and Activity |
- | Easter Fun and Activities |
- | Baking for Kids |
- | Glow Sports |

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Easter Holiday Clubs funded by Nottinghamshire County Council are taking place in Rushcliffe, Gedling, Mansfield and Ashfield (Hucknall) Districts