



Message from our Headteacher:

Last year, we successfully secured grants from the National Lottery Community Fund and the Tesco Community Grant. These grants enabled us to invest in essential materials, equipment, and the regular support of Kathryn Cooper, our Allotment Officer. Kathryn continues to work closely with our children, their families, and the wider community to provide valuable learning and well-being opportunities.

Last week, parents/carers joined Kathryn in harvesting lots of potatoes, apples, and beans, which we were pleased to share with our community. This week, the team of volunteers supported Kathryn in tidying and preparing the allotment beds. They also prepared the allotment for children's visits, which we are excited to be commencing this half term.



Our Eco Club has already visited the allotment. This year, we are planning to integrate the allotment into a range of curriculum-linked projects throughout the year: planting, growing, and harvesting foods that link to their curriculum learning.



We are looking forward to seeing how these projects will enhance the children's learning and encourage the continued involvement of our families and community. Please look out on our Weduc calendar, Tapestry or Class Dojo for future parent/carer working parties and sessions.

Thank you for your continued support.
Mr Lowe

Merit Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who all received a certificate this week and were part of our assembly today:

Foundation 2: Avery & Itai
Year 1: Roman & Aria
Year 2: Heyabel & Leandro
Year 3: Aamina & Mustafa
Year 4: Rumaisa & Nathan
Year 5: Toure & Safah
Year 6: Ameerah & Jahleize



Attendance

Foundation 2: 93.54%
Year 1: 98.39%
Year 2: 95.67%
Year 3: 99.03%
Year 4: 98.67%
Year 5: 94.33%
Year 6: 98.67%

Well done to this week's class with the highest attendance:
Year 3

Writers of the Week

Year 1: Oscar
Year 2: Nathan P
Year 3: Skylar
Year 4: Harley
Year 5: Joseph
Year 6: Adam



F1 Star of the Week



Carson & Kavinayan

In other news...



Enrichment Opportunities

Our children have enjoyed a range of enrichment opportunities this week.

- **Year 4** children visited the Dales Library for a Reading for Pleasure session.
- **Year 3** continued their weekly swimming lessons and have shown fantastic progress already!
- A group of **Year 5 and 6** children were given the opportunity to visit Nottingham Moderns Rugby Club for a Tag Ruby Festival with other Transform Trust schools.
- **Year 6** children visited Holme Pierrepont for a Safety Zone event, visiting workshops from different agencies that explored strategies for how to stay safe in different situations.



Visits from Schools

We were visited by two schools this week. Teaching Assistants from Warren Academy joined us for the morning to tour the school with a focus on learning environments and displays. We were also joined for the day by Abbey Hill Primary School KS1 teachers, who came to see the fantastic learning in Key Stage 1. They visited classrooms, watched lessons and talked to children about their learning. The visitors told us, *"Sneinton is the absolute definition of community and you can feel it as soon as you walk into the building"*.



Dentist Registration

We are aware that there may be some families who have struggled to register with a dentist. MyDentist on Sneinton Dale has supported our families in recent years, providing appointments for our children. They currently have spaces for children, usually seen within the week. The whole family can register but there is a longer wait for adult consultations. We have registration forms (one needed per family) available in the School Office. These can be returned to the surgery once completed. Please ensure that home languages are noted on the form.



Diary Dates

Mon 23 Sep	Y1 Reading Meeting Comm Room 2:45-3:05pm
Tue 24 Sep	Year 5 Visit - Papplewick
Tue 24 Sep	Church at School School Hall, 3:15 – 4:15pm
Tue 24 Sep	Year 3 Visit – Dales Library
Wed 2 Oct	F2 Welcome Service St. Stephen's Church, 2-3 pm
Thu 3 Oct	Year 1 Visit – Wollaton Park
Fri 4 Oct	INSET DAY (School Closed)
Mon 14 Oct	Y4 Visit – Perlethorpe
Tue 5 Nov	F2 Visit – St. Ann's Orchard
Wed 6 Nov	Individual Photos

Please continue to check the school calendar on our Reach More Parents app.

This will show you upcoming events related to your child.

Reminders



Flu Vaccination

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school, please complete the online [consent form](#).

The vaccinations will take place at your child's school on the **9th October 2024**.

The link will close on the **24th September 2024**.



Safe Drop-off and Collection

We kindly ask all parents/carers to park with consideration outside school. Please avoid blocking driveways, parking on double yellow lines, or stopping in unsafe areas.

We also urge everyone to be mindful of children crossing the road, especially at busy times. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school community safe.



What have we been learning?

EYFS

This week in F2, we have been practising our mark-making skills ready for writing. We have been chalking, painting, drawing and even using mud to paint outside. We were mixing our own paint with mud, clay and water. We love to have messy fun!



Year 1

Year 1 have been working hard on their own art projects!

We have been learning about Andy Goldsworthy who only uses natural materials. We had a go at making our own artwork at home!

We have loved seeing the inspiring creations children have made.



Year 3

Class 3 have been learning about the different types of rock. This week they have been experimenting with chocolate to show how sedimentary rock is formed. They applied pressure to the chocolate and observed how this changed the rock pieces to form one solid block.



Year 5

Year 5 have been working hard in English this week. We have been writing persuasive speeches from the perspective of Queen Victoria, and enjoyed dressing up to help us get into character.



LUNCHTIME

Autumn Winter
2024-25:
2/9, 23/9, 14/10,
4/11, 25/11,
16/12, 6/1, 27/1

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



THE
MAIN
EVENT

Margherita Pizza
Slice and Wedges

Chicken Tikka
Curry

Roast Gammon,
Roast Potatoes
and Gravy

Sticky Chinese
Chicken Noodles

Golden Fish
Fingers or
Salmon Fingers
and Chips



MEAT-FREE
MAGIC
Veggie Dish

Veggie Pepper and
Sweetcorn Pizza
Slice with Wedges

Veg Samosa
Style Pie

Quorn Sausage,
Roast Potatoes
and Gravy

Spanish Omelette
and Herby Diced
Potatoes

Veggie Burger and
Chips



RAINBOW
ALLEY
Vegetables and Salads

Sweetcorn

Kachumber
Salad and
Wholegrain
Rice

Peas and Carrots

Green Beans

Baked
Beans



BIG
TOPPING
Filled Jackets

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo



DESSERT
TROLLEY

Toffee Frozen
Yoghurt

Sweet Potato
Brownie

Forest Fruits
Jelly Pots

Cookie Dough
Apple
Crumble

Jammy
Thumbprint
Biscuits



School Dates 2024-25

Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24
M 5 12 19 26	M 2 9 16 23 30	M 7 14 21 28
T 6 13 20 27	T 3 10 17 24	T 1 8 15 22 29
W 7 14 21 28	W 4 11 18 25	W 2 9 16 23 30
T 1 8 15 22 29	T 5 12 19 26	T 3 10 17 24 31
F 2 9 16 23 30	F 6 13 20 27	F 4 11 18 25
S 3 10 17 24 31	S 7 14 21 28	S 5 12 19 26
S 4 11 18 25	S 1 8 15 22 29	S 6 13 20 27
Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25
M 4 11 18 25	M 2 9 16 23 30	M 6 13 20 27
T 5 12 19 26	T 3 10 17 24 31	T 7 14 21 28
W 6 13 20 27	W 4 11 18 25	W 1 8 15 22 29
T 7 14 21 28	T 5 12 19 26	T 2 9 16 23 30
F 1 8 15 22 29	F 6 13 20 27	F 3 10 17 24 31
S 2 9 16 23 30	S 7 14 21 28	S 4 11 18 25
S 3 10 17 24	S 1 8 15 22 29	S 5 12 19 26
Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25
M 3 10 17 24	M 3 10 17 24 31	M 7 14 21 28
T 4 11 18 25	T 4 11 18 25	T 1 8 15 22 29
W 5 12 19 26	W 5 12 19 26	W 2 9 16 23 30
T 6 13 20 27	T 6 13 20 27	T 3 10 17 24
F 7 14 21 28	F 7 14 21 28	F 4 11 18 25
S 1 8 15 22	S 1 8 15 22 29	S 5 12 19 26
S 2 9 16 23	S 2 9 16 23 30	S 6 13 20 27
May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25
M 5 12 19 26	M 2 9 16 23 30	M 7 14 21 28
T 6 13 20 27	T 3 10 17 24	T 1 8 15 22 29
W 7 14 21 28	W 4 11 18 25	W 2 9 16 23 30
T 1 8 15 22 29	T 5 12 19 26	T 3 10 17 24 31
F 2 9 16 23 30	F 6 13 20 27	F 4 11 18 25
S 3 10 17 24 31	S 7 14 21 28	S 5 12 19 26
S 4 11 18 25	S 1 8 15 22 29	S 6 13 20 27

-  Inset Days
-  Bank Holiday
-  School Holiday

- Half term 1 - 7 weeks 2 days
- Half term 2 - 7 weeks
- Half term 3 - 6 weeks
- Half term 4 - 6 weeks
- Half term 5 - 4 weeks 3 days
- Half term 6 - 8 weeks

Regular Community Events at School (open to all)



Family Breakfast 'Books and Breakfast'

Every Monday morning

School Hall 8:15 am – 8:45 am



Parent/Carer Tea and Coffee Drop-In

Every Friday morning (Starting 20 Sep)

Community Room 8:35 am – 9:30 am



Church at School, Led by St. Stephen's Church

Once a Month

School Hall 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm



Parent/Carer Prayer Group

2nd and 4th Monday of each month

Community Room 8:45 am – 9:15 am



For more information about these events or other ways to get involved at school, please speak to our Learning Mentor, Mrs Pruszk or our Headteacher, Mr Lowe.

Autumn Term Faith Events



Church at School

Tue 24 Oct | Tue 26 Nov | Tue 17 Dec

School Hall, 3:15 – 4:15 pm

Open to all year groups and their families.

Hosted by St. Stephen's Church Leaders

Drink and Snack | Craft | Games | Worship and Bible Stories



Foundation 2 Welcome Service

Wed 2 Oct

St. Stephen's Church, 2pm – 3pm.

Open to all families with a special invite to the families of Foundation 2 children.

Our F2 class will be presented with a Story Book Bible funded by Nottingham City Mission.



Harvest Festival Prayer Workshops

Tue 15 Oct | Wed 16 Oct

School Hall

We will invite families to donate long-life food and drink to be donated to our local Food Banks.

We have partnered with Urban Abbey to work with our pupil leaders to create harvest-themed prayer workshops. We hope for some element of these to be shared with our families.



Remembrance Collective Worship

Mon 11 Nov

School Hall, 10:30 – 11:00 am

Our Humanities Leaders will be hosting a short Collective Worship for Remembrance. Children in Y1-Y6 will attend this. Families are welcome to join us.



Christmas Fayre

Wed 4 Dec

School Hall and Playground, 3:15 – 5:00 pm

An opportunity for all in our community to celebrate together.

Food and Drink | Christmas Craft | Christmas Stories | Stalls



EYFS Nativity

Tue 10 Dec

School Hall, Morning Performance 9:30 am, Afternoon Performance 1:30 pm

All families of children in EYFS are invited to attend these performances. Our Learning Mentor will be providing tea and coffee in the Community Room before each performance begins.



Lower Phase Nativity (Y1, Y2 and Y3)

Thu 12 Dec

School Hall, Morning Performance 9:30 am, Afternoon Performance 1:30 pm

All families of children in EYFS are invited to attend these performances. Our Learning Mentor will be providing tea and coffee in the Community Room before each performance begins.



Christmas Pilgrimage

Wed 18 Dec

Children across the school (Y1 – Y6) travel out of school and into Sneinton to visit characters relating to the events of Jesus' birth. They interview the characters and complete activities relating to their event in their classrooms. We ask for adult volunteers to join classes to support walking to the locations. We celebrate the learning in a Collective Worship at 2:30 pm. Families are invited to the afternoon Collective Worship.



Key Stage 2 Christmas Carol Service

Thu 19 Dec

St. Stephen's Church 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Children in Key Stage 2 invite their families to join them in a carol concert at St. Stephen's.