



## Message from our Assistant Headteacher:

### World Book Day

Next week is the national World Book Day, and at Sneinton we will be marking the occasion on the following day, **Friday 6th March** as a special end-of-week celebration of reading. Instead of our usual Friday Merit Celebration assembly, we will come together as a whole school for a dedicated Reading Celebration Assembly, recognising the joy, creativity and community that books bring to our school.

Throughout the day, children will enjoy a range of engaging, creative book-based activities designed to spark imagination and deepen their love of stories and poetry.

As you know, at Sneinton, Reading for Pleasure is something we champion every single day – not just on World Book Day. Our commitment to developing enthusiastic, confident readers runs through everything we do all year round.

This year, we have a special poetry focus, with children exploring, performing and responding to poems in fun and imaginative ways across the school.

We are also delighted to share that children in Years 1–6 will be visiting Waterstones to spend their World Book Day book vouchers, which is a brilliant opportunity for them to choose a book of their own and experience the excitement of selecting something to enjoy at home.

This year, we will not be dressing up. Instead, we have chosen to focus fully on rich reading experiences and meaningful activities in school. Throughout the year, children have many purposeful opportunities to dress up as part of their learning, and for World Book Day we want to ensure the celebration is accessible to all and centred on the magic of books themselves.

We can't wait for a brilliant end to the week filled with stories, poetry, laughter and reading together as a whole school community.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs Doyle, Assistant Headteacher and Reading Lead

### Merit Assembly

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

Foundation 2: Reuban & Lilly  
Year 1: Samuel & Isaiah  
Year 2: Elani & Whole Class  
Year 3: Amaan & Rufuta  
Year 4: Jacob & Milla  
Year 5: Rumaisa & Jamal  
Year 6: Ayaan & Adam



### Weekly Attendance

**Attendance Target:** 96.6%

**Attendance so far:** 96.0%

**Foundation 2:** 95.0%

**Year 1:** 85.7%

**Year 2:** 98.7% 🏆

**Year 3:** 97.3%

**Year 4:** 93.9%

**Year 5:** 98.7% 🏆

**Year 6:** 98.0%

🌟 Well Done to Year 2 and Year 5! 🌟

### Writers of the Week

Year 1: Kimarra  
Year 2: Amer  
Year 3: Sitra  
Year 4: Skylar  
Year 5: Breccan  
Year 6: Adrian



### F1 Stars of the Week



Ty'rai, Musa & Clayton

## In other news...



### Enrichment Opportunities

Our children have had lots of exciting enrichment opportunities:

- **Y1** visited Sneinton for a special attendance breakfast reward for having the best attendance in Spring 1 and **Y3** enjoyed a trip to the cinema this week for best overall attendance.
- **Y2** enjoyed their polar explorer day to deepen their learning in their Hot and Cold topic.
- **Many EYFS families** joined us for a special afternoon to celebrate the children's topic learning.
- **EYFS** learnt about Lunar New Year. A huge thank you to the parents who shared how and why they celebrate this event with the children. They decorated the unit and provided treat bags for each child.
- **Y5** began their GREAT Project sessions as part of their PSHE lessons. They are learning about positive relationships and that they are equal and trusting.



### New Arrivals

Following our recent successful fundraising and training, we are delighted to share that four new members have joined our school community – four rescued battery hens. These chickens have been given a new home with us and are settling in wonderfully.

The children will soon begin visiting them, and we can't wait for them to meet our newest additions. This will be a fantastic opportunity for pupils to learn about care, responsibility and where food comes from. We're also pleased to report that our hens have already started producing eggs.



### Staffing Update

Mrs Peek has now begun her maternity leave and we send her our very best wishes.

We are delighted to welcome Miss Coupar back from maternity leave – she is teaching in Year 1.

During Mrs Peek's absence, Miss Cranston will be teaching Year 3.

This term, we have also welcomed Miss Brett and Miss Astill to our Midday Supervisor Team and Mrs Ziya to our Wraparound provision.



## Diary Dates

|            |                                                 |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Mon 2 Mar  | Parent Prayer Group 9-10<br>School Meeting Room |
| Mon 2 Mar  | Y5 Visit to the Council house                   |
| Tue 3 Mar  | Y2 & Y4 trip to Waterstones                     |
| Wed 4 Mar  | Year 4 Trip to Magna                            |
| Fri 6 Mar  | Y3 trip to Waterstones                          |
| 6 -15 Mar  | Science Week!                                   |
| Wed 18 Mar | Y4 Nottingham Contemporary Trip                 |
| Wed 18 Mar | Y2 Sealife Trip                                 |
| Tue 24 Mar | Y4 Albert Hall                                  |
| Thu 26 Mar | Y3 Twycross Zoo Trip                            |
| Fri 27 Mar | End of Term                                     |

## Spotlight



### Parent/Carer Survey 2026

We have now launched our annual parent/carers survey and we would really value your feedback. Your views are incredibly important to us — they help shape decisions in school, inform our priorities and ensure that we continue to grow in ways that best support our children and families.

We carefully review all responses to identify what is working well and where we can strengthen our provision further. Your perspective as parents and carers plays a key role in helping us reflect, adapt and improve.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to share your thoughts and for continuing to work in partnership with us.



[Click Here for Survey](#)

Scan the code or click the link to access the survey.  
The survey will close on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 3:30pm.

# What have we been learning?

## EYFS

This week, we started our new topic 'Living and Growing'.

Our focus has been the weather and choosing appropriate clothing when we go outside.

We have learnt the Makaton signs for sunny, rainy and cloudy, and we are getting really good at spotting how the weather changes throughout the day.



## Year 1

Year One have had a brilliant start to their new term at school. As a class, they have worked together in many different activities across the week that have shown their wonderful teamwork skills.



## Year 3

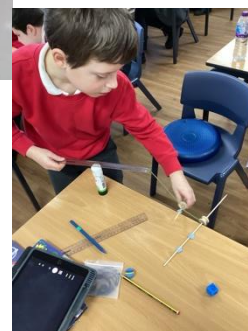
Year 3 have been continuing our rainforest topic and started a new science topic about plants.

We also had a brilliant day on Thursday! We went to the cinema to watch Zootropolis 2, which the children absolutely deserved for their brilliant attendance! They have settled into school brilliantly and we have lots to look forward to in the upcoming weeks.



## Year 5

Year 5 have started writing a persuasive recipe book introductions for Caribbean food. We have explored making levers and pulleys as part of our Science 'Forces' topic. It was great fun! We have also taken part in the Great project as part of our PSHE learning, where we had to think about what healthy friendships and relationships look like.



# FOOD FESTIVAL

By Aspens

## WEEK 3

Autumn Winter 2025/26

15/09/25, 06/10/25, 27/10/25,  
17/11/25, 08/12/25, 29/12/25,  
19/01/26, 09/02/26, 02/03/26,  
23/03/26

# LUNCHTIME

PRIMARY  
WORLD



MONDAY

Cheese and Tomato  
Pizza Slice  
with Wedges B

Macaroni Cheese C

Vegetable Sticks

Beans,  
Cheese or  
Tuna Mayo B

Sweet Potato  
Chocolate Brownie C

TUESDAY

Mild Chicken Tikka  
Masala and Rice C

Tarka Dhal B

Carrots and  
Green Beans

Beans,  
Cheese or  
Tuna Mayo B

Jelly C

WEDNESDAY

Roast Pork,  
Skin on Roasties  
and Gravy C

Carrot & Stuffing  
Puff Pastry Plait,  
Skin on Roasties  
with Gravy B

Roasted Roots

Beans,  
Cheese or  
Tuna Mayo B

Eve's Apple  
Pudding & Custard B

THURSDAY

Jerk chicken pasta C

Sweet Potato Coconut  
Bean Stew  
with Rice A

Sweetcorn

Beans,  
Cheese or  
Tuna Mayo B

Muesli Bars B

FRIDAY

Golden Fish  
Fingers  
& Chips B

Vegetable Fingers  
with Chips A

Baked Beans

Beans,  
Cheese or  
Tuna Mayo B

Vanilla Cookies B

AVAILABLE DAILY

DAILY SALAD BOWL, FRESHLY BAKED  
BREAD, YOGHURTS AND CUT FRUIT

PASTA  
TWIRLER  
AVAILABLE  
EVERY DAY

TOPPED PASTA  
HOT PASTA TOPPED WITH  
HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE  
& CHEESE C

What impact has your meal  
had on planet Earth today?



# School Dates 2025-26

| AUGUST 2025 |   |    |    |    |    |  | SEPTEMBER 2025 |   |    |    |    |    |  | OCTOBER 2025 |   |    |    |    |    |  |
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| T           |   | 5  | 12 | 19 | 26 |  | T              | 2 | 9  | 16 | 23 | 30 |  | T            |   | 7  | 14 | 21 | 28 |  |
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| NOVEMBER 2025 |   |   |    |    |    |  | DECEMBER 2025 |   |    |    |    |    |  | JANUARY 2026 |   |    |    |    |    |  |
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| FEBRUARY 2026 |   |   |    |    |    |  | MARCH 2026 |   |   |    |    |    |    | APRIL 2026 |   |    |    |    |    |  |
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| MAY 2026 |   |    |    |    |    |  | JUNE 2026 |   |    |    |    |    |  | JULY 2026 |   |    |    |    |    |  |
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| Key |                         |
|-----|-------------------------|
|     | In school               |
|     | School holiday          |
|     | Public holiday          |
|     | In Service Training Day |

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## 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

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month

Community Room 8:45 am – 9:15am



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



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# Mini Movers



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**Monday 10:15am to 10:45am**

**from Monday 2 March (term time)**

**Music and Movement sessions for ages 0 to 4**

**The Dales Centre Library, 206 Sneinton Dale NG2 4HJ**