



Message from our Assistant Headteacher:

Visit from Nadia Whittome MP

We were delighted to welcome Nadia Whittome, Member of Parliament for Nottingham East, to school this week for a visit focused on belonging and inclusion.

Our pupil leaders confidently delivered a presentation to her, showcasing the wide range of leadership roles across school and the important work they do to ensure everyone feels valued, respected and included. They shared our Schools of Sanctuary work, our multilingual library and reading offer, our language leaders, our community events, and the thoughtful ways children help to welcome new families into our school community.

They also discussed our community allotment, our Refugee Week activities and exhibitions, and how these projects bring people together, celebrate diversity and help children understand that everyone is welcome.

Our Pupil Parliamentarians then led a tour of the school. They explained how they represent the voice of all children in school and work alongside staff to make positive changes.

They spoke about their future plans too, including welcome tours led by children, buddy groups and pupil translators.



Nadia was extremely impressed by the strength of our pupil voice and by the authentic way in which we seek to create a safe, welcoming and inclusive space for all children and families. A huge well done to our pupil leaders for representing the school so thoughtfully, confidently and proudly.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Doyle, Assistant Headteacher for Aspiration

Merit Assembly

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

Foundation 2: Riley & Amarni

Year 1: Adalyn & Khaye

Year 2: Isaac & Adam

Year 3: Torres & Leon

Year 4: Gloria & Kai

Year 5: Haniya & Thea

Year 6: Jahmai & Whole Class



Writers of the Week

Year 1: Isaiah

Year 2: Elliot G

Year 3: Ukasha

Year 4: Andrew

Year 5: Harmony

Year 6: Nikal



Weekly Attendance

Attendance Target: 96.8%

Foundation 2: 96.6%

Year 1: 98.3%

Year 2: 95.1%

Year 3: 98%

Year 4: 91.6%

Year 5: 95.3%

Year 6: 94.8%

This week's class with the highest attendance: **Year 1**

F1 Stars of the Week



Anyrie, Everly, Gabriel

In other news...



EYFS Fire Brigade Visit

As part of our People Who Help Us learning, our EYFS children were thrilled to welcome firefighters from Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service this week.

The children had the opportunity to see the fire engine up close, hear the siren, explore the equipment and learn about how firefighters help to keep us safe. There were lots of thoughtful questions, excited faces and even a few future firefighters in the making!



Ice Skating at the National Ice Arena

On Thursday, our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils visited the National Ice Centre for a Winter Olympics-themed enrichment day.

The children took part in both ice-skating sessions and a range of off-ice challenges inspired by Team GB. For many, it was their first experience on the ice, and it was wonderful to see their resilience, encouragement of one another and determination as their confidence grew throughout the day.

The event concluded with a celebratory closing ceremony before returning to school — tired but proud of their efforts. Opportunities like this not only promote physical activity but also teamwork, perseverance and aspiration.

A huge well done to all of our pupils for representing the school so positively.



Y6 SATS

There will be a Year 6 SATs Information Meeting on Tuesday 10th at 15:30, where we will share key information about the tests in May and how you can support your child at home.

SATs booster sessions will begin on Tuesday 24th (the first Tuesday after half-term) and will run weekly from 3:15–4:15pm. The Year 6 SATs booster sessions have been well attended and are proving to be a really positive, fun learning opportunity, helping children build confidence.

Diary Dates

Mon 9 Feb	Urban Abbey – Prayer Spaces for children throughout the week
Mon 9 Feb	Attendance Breakfast - Y1
Tue 10 Feb	Yr 6 SAT's meeting 3:30-3:45
Wed 11 Feb	Non-Uniform Day 'come as you are' (see poster attached)
Wed 11 Feb	Y2 Polar Explorer Day
Wed 11 Feb	EYFS Family Event
Fri 13 Feb	INSET DAY & End of Term – School Closed
Mon 16 Feb – Sun 22 Feb	Half Term – School Closed
Wed 4 Mar	Year 4 Trip to Magna
Thu 26 Mar	Year 3 Trip to Twycross Zoo

Spotlight

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week we will be marking Children's Mental Health Week with the theme of Belonging.

A key moment of the week will be our non-uniform day on Wednesday, themed "Come as Yourself." Children are invited to wear something that feels comfortable, authentic and true to who they are. There is no expectation to buy anything new — the message is simply that everyone belongs, just as they are.

We invite families, if they are able, to make a £1 donation on the day. All proceeds will go to Place2Be, the charity behind Children's Mental Health Week, which supports children and young people's mental health across the UK.

Throughout the week, children will also take part in age-appropriate activities and discussions exploring what it means to feel included, listened to and valued within our school community.

What have we been learning?

EYFS

It's been an exciting week in F2 with a visit from the Fire Service on Monday. The children had chance to get on the fire engine and even squirt the hose! On Wednesday we talked about fire safety and lit a bonfire at Forest School to cook the popcorn on.



Year 2

Year 2 have been working so hard in art this half term. We have been studying the abstract artist, Mark Rothko, and how he uses colour to create mood. We have learnt how to mix colours, including tints and shades. This week, we have created our final pieces; a canvas showing a hot or cold mood.

We are so impressed with their work; they have captured the essence of Mark's work so well!



Year 4

In art, the children are learning how to screen print, taking inspiration from pop art. This week we learned that screen printing is when you push paint through a mesh, using a stencil to block the ink to form shapes. We loved to 'peel and reveal' our work. We will apply this knowledge in our final volcano art print.



Year 6

Year 6 (along with Year 5) had a fantastic day at the Ice Arena on Thursday! We participated in the Mini-Olympics to celebrate the start of the Winter Olympics in Italy. The children completed a range of activities including ice skating and using ice hockey sticks. They really entered into the spirit of the day, with enthusiasm and were excellent representatives of our school.



WE'RE FUNDRAISING FOR

Place2Be's

CHILDREN'S
MENTAL HEALTH
WEEK

What: Non-Uniform Day
'Come As Yourself!'

Wear something that makes you
feel comfortable and most like
your true self

When: Wednesday 11th
February

Who: Everybody!
£1 donation please



TOGETHER WE CAN HELP TO CHANGE THE
LIVES OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE.

#ChildrensMentalHealthWeek

childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk



Place2Be is a registered charity in England and Wales (1040756) and in Scotland (SC038649).

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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

TUESDAY

Mild Chicken Tikka
Masala and Rice

WEDNESDAY

Roast Pork,
Skin on Roasties
and Gravy

THURSDAY

Jerk chicken pasta

FRIDAY

Golden Fish
Fingers
& Chips

Macaroni Cheese

Tarka Dhal

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

Sweet Potato Coconut
Bean Stew
with Rice

Vegetable Fingers
with Chips

Vegetable Sticks

Carrots and
Green Beans

Roasted Roots

Sweetcorn

Baked Beans

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

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Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

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Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

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Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Beans,
Cheese or
Tuna Mayo

Sweet Potato
Chocolate Brownie

Jelly

Eve's Apple
Pudding & Custard

Muesli Bars

Vanilla Cookies

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



What impact has your meal
had on planet Earth today?



School Dates 2025-26

AUGUST 2025							SEPTEMBER 2025							OCTOBER 2025						
M		4	11	18	25		M	1	8	15	22	29		M		6	13	20	27	
T		5	12	19	26		T	2	9	16	23	30		T		7	14	21	28	
W		6	13	20	27		W	3	10	17	24			W	1	8	15	22	29	
T		7	14	21	28		T	4	11	18	25			T	2	9	16	23	30	
F	1	8	15	22	29		F	5	12	19	26			F	3	10	17	24	31	
S	2	9	16	23	30		S	6	13	20	27			S	4	11	18	25		
S	3	10	17	24	31		S	7	14	21	28			S	5	12	19	26		

NOVEMBER 2025							DECEMBER 2025							JANUARY 2026						
M		3	10	17	24		M	1	8	15	22	29		M		5	12	19	26	
T		4	11	18	25		T	2	9	16	23	30		T		6	13	20	27	
W		5	12	19	26		W	3	10	17	24	31		W		7	14	21	28	
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S	2	9	16	23	30		S	7	14	21	28			S	4	11	18	25		

FEBRUARY 2026							MARCH 2026							APRIL 2026						
M		2	9	16	23		M		2	9	16	23	30	M		6	13	20	27	
T		3	10	17	24		T		3	10	17	24	31	T		7	14	21	28	
W		4	11	18	25		W		4	11	18	25		W	1	8	15	22	29	
T		5	12	19	26		T		5	12	19	26		T	2	9	16	23	30	
F		6	13	20	27		F		6	13	20	27		F	3	10	17	24		
S		7	14	21	28		S		7	14	21	28		S	4	11	18	25		
S	1	8	15	22			S	1	8	15	22	29		S	5	12	19	26		

MAY 2026							JUNE 2026							JULY 2026						
M		4	11	18	25		M	1	8	15	22	29		M		6	13	20	27	
T		5	12	19	26		T	2	9	16	23	30		T		7	14	21	28	
W		6	13	20	27		W	3	10	17	24			W	1	8	15	22	29	
T		7	14	21	28		T	4	11	18	25			T	2	9	16	23	30	
F	1	8	15	22	29		F	5	12	19	26			F	3	10	17	24	31	
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S	3	10	17	24	31		S	7	14	21	28			S	5	12	19	26		

Key	
	In school
	School holiday
	Public holiday
	In Service Training Day

AUGUST 2026						
M		3	10	17	24	31
T		4	11	18	25	
W		5	12	19	26	
T		6	13	20	27	
F		7	14	21	28	
S	1	8	15	22	29	
S	2	9	16	23	30	

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 – 9:15am



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.



February Holiday Clubs

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years

Activities include dodgeball, dance, drama, yoga, multi skills, ball games, art and crafts, team and confidence building activities and much more.



RUNNING AT:

- Banks Road Infant & Nursery School, Toton
- Hucknall Flying High Academy
- PERFORM at Jesse Gray Primary School, West Bridgford
- Millside Spencer Academy, East Leake
- Rosecliffe Spencer Academy, Edwalton
- St Edmund Campion Catholic Primary, West Bridgford
- St Peter's Academy, East Bridgford
- DISNEY at West Bridgford Infant School
- Westdale Junior School, Mapperley
- KPOP at Woodthorpe Infant School

HOW TO BOOK:

Scan the QR code or visit our [website](https://www.rattleandrollperformance.com)



Some
Sessions
maybe
Virtual

The Music Man Project



A monthly music workshop for people with learning disabilities Carers are welcome (essential where health/ care needs dictate)

Friday 6th February
Friday 6th March
Friday 10th April
10.30am onwards

The Salvation Army
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WEEKEND PERFORMING ARTS CLASSES.

From musical theatre, to comedy, drama and filmmaking – PQA's project-based approach encourages learning by doing. In our classes, young people get hands on, creating their own content and learning industry skills, while having a blast!

WHAT TO EXPECT.

Classes for ages 6-18 are 3 hours long, with industry-expert teachers leading sessions in musical theatre, film and TV, comedy, and drama. We also offer 90-minute long classes for ages 4-6. **Best of all, we offer everyone a free session!**

BE YOURSELF BE AMAZING.

At PQA, we build self-belief by encouraging young people to step out of their comfort zones, develop new skills, and be their amazing selves, in a supportive environment. Through experiencing all that the performing arts has to offer, young people can grow in to grounded, confident adults.

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PAULINE QUIRKE ACADEMY

OF PERFORMING ARTS

BE YOURSELF BE AMAZING

Looking for professional football sessions for ages 2-12 that are fun, no-pressure and led by experienced coaches?

New Saturday sessions starting
this month in **Carlton:**

9.30am: 4-7s

10.30am: 8-12s

League teams and beginner
training running throughout the
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Fields, Hucknall** and
Bestwood

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experienced,
fully-trained and
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SOWING SNEINTON & FOSAC PRESENT...

Four special science sessions at Lindum Grove
Community Garden !!

Behind Tow'j Supermarket, Sneinton, NG2 3DG

Monday 9th Feb 2026
10.30am - 1pm

The fascinating world of soil - suitable for 0-99 years



Thursday 12th Feb
10am - 12.30pm

The fascinating world of soil - suitable for 0-5 years
plus parents/carers



Monday 16th Feb
10.30am - 1pm

Monitoring & helping local wildlife- suitable for 0-99
years



Thursday 19th Feb
10am - 12.30pm

Monitoring & helping local wildlife - suitable for 0-5
years plus parents/carers

Sessions are free - no booking required -
include hot drinks and free vegetarian lunch
suggested lunch donation is £2

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Feel Good Breakfast



**Monday 16 February to
Friday 20 February**
9am to 10am

Cherry Lodge, King Edward Park
Carlton Road, NG3 2AS

Join us over half term for breakfast
with cereal, toast, fruit, hot and cold
drinks and more

Free - no need to book, just drop in
Everyone welcome!

To find out more call 0115 911 2226
or email enquiries@renewaltrust.org.uk



Lego Make and Take

Monday 16 February
1pm to 4pm

Cherry Lodge, King Edward Park
Carlton Road NG3 2AS

Wednesday 18 February
1pm to 3pm

Brendon Lawrence Sports Centre
35 Hungerhill Road NG3 4NB

£2 per person

Suitable for ages 5 and over

Book your half hour slot to build Lego
and take it home

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