



Bulletin: Friday 1st May 2026 (website version)

We were fortunate to welcome some special visitors today. Our local police team visit annually to spend time with Year 6, leading important discussions about hate crime, cyberbullying and knife crime. The children had plenty of questions and they even had the opportunity to explore the police van and some of the equipment! If you believe your job or expertise could enrich any of our curriculum topics through a visit or workshop, we'd love to hear from you—please feel free to get in touch for a chat!

Looking ahead to September, Mrs Glover spent some time in school this week. She is due in again on Wednesday morning to continue the handover process with myself and Mr Rossington. We'll be finalising our plans for next year shortly after May half term. Next week, some information will come out about class lists for next year. Your child will have the opportunity to state some preferences in terms of friendships. In the second part of the summer term, we'll then be doing lots of transition work with the children. Please note that moving up morning is on Friday 26th June. This is when your child will spend the morning with their new class teacher.

Have a lovely weekend!

Sport

On Wednesday, the girls' football team played their quarter-final game at home v Robert Mellors. They put in a fantastic performance to win the game 5-2 with goals from Bella (3), Grace and Betsey. Every player in the team contributed to the win and we now look forward to finding out our semi-final opponents.

A group of Y6 sports leaders were recently tasked with helping to organise and run a Y4 orienteering festival for some local schools. The children did an amazing job and demonstrated excellent communication, leadership and organisational skills.

A reminder that our school games afternoon (sports day) will take place on Thursday 18th June. More information will be sent out nearer the time.


Father's Day Coffee & Cake

Celebrate Father's Day with us over coffee and cake!

 **Date:** Wednesday 24th June

 **Time:** 2:30 PM – 3:15 PM

 **Booking:** The booking link is now live on MCAS. Cost: £8

 **Spaces:** Limited to 60 adults, allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. **One ticket per family. The ticket includes 1 adult and your child/children.**

**We understand that Mother's Day and Father's Day can hold different meanings for families based on individual circumstances. Our aim is to create welcoming events where all who wish to participate can do so. If you have any queries regarding these events, please don't hesitate to reach out—we'd be happy to discuss them with you.*

We look forward to welcoming you!

Celebration assembly

In today's assembly we celebrated the birthdays of Ruby, Harriet, Lenny, Samuel, Molly and Caitlin.

Stars of the week:

- *3 Grey – Esme and Reuben for curiosity and respect when working in a group.*
 - *3 White – Alfie and Sam for independence (and always wowing us).*
 - *4 Orange – Louis for independence and Olive for curiosity.*
 - *4 Yellow – Esme for kindness and Ellie for independence.*
 - *5 Green – Oliver and Annabelle T for independence and determination.*
 - *5 Red – Annabelle G and Millie for independence and determination.*
 - *6 Baker – Penelope and Eva for determination in maths.*
 - *6 Blue – Isla F and Noah F for curiosity and determination.*
 - *6 Purple – Izhah and Oliver for respect and determination when working with others.*
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Kindness special mentions:

- *Isaac in year 3 for going the extra mile to tidy away equipment.*
 - *James in year 6 made sure people were included at lunchtime, which encouraged others to do the same.*
 - *Charlie R and Theo R went to lots of trouble to help a lost dog.*
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Out of school achievements:

- *Annis told us about leading her rugby team as captain to achieve silver in the Cup Final.*
 - *Coralie and Oliver impressed their football coaches and both won Player of the Game awards.*
 - *Jaxon and Leo P showed lots of determination to achieve their latest swimming certificates.*
 - *Edith J showed off a certificate she has been awarded for gymnastics.*
 - *Edith R told us about her dance and football awards.*
 - *Millie scored a hat-trick in last weekend's football match.*
 - *Emily was proud to tell us about her gymnastics medal for vault.*
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If your child has an out of school achievement they would like to share, all they need to do is come to the front in a celebration assembly. They will then be featured in the bulletin.

General messages and reminders from previous bulletins

Photos

A reminder that class and team photographs, including the Year 6 leavers' group photo, will take place on the morning of Tuesday 19th May. Please note that it may not be possible for the photographer to return for a second session if any pupils are absent. The Y6 leavers' photograph is provided as a complimentary gift.

Collection

If your end of day collection arrangements change, please email office@arnovale.notts.sch.uk. If you send a message to the class teacher or any other member of staff, there is a chance it may not be seen in time.

Music Lessons – Summer Term

Payment for Summer term guitar and ukulele lessons is now available on MCAS.

INSET Days

A reminder that the next INSET Days are as follows:

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- *Friday 3rd July*
 - *Tuesday 1st September*
 - *Wednesday 2nd September*
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Club Vale

A reminder to parents that children should be collected from Club Vale by 5.30pm. Please ensure the school office is informed in advance if someone different will be collecting your child. For full details, including terms and conditions, please visit: [Club Vale \(Wrap Around Care Facility\) | Arno Vale Junior School](#)

Booking and payment procedure for school dinners:

- Log into MCAS.
- Navigate to the dinner menu.
- Select add dinner money (£3.00 per day) if needed.
- From the main menu, click on the day you require, select main menu and press submit. This will turn the day green.
- Repeat the previous step for all other days that you require.

Note: Meal bookings must be completed by midnight on Saturday for the following week.

Menu: [School Meals | Arno Vale Junior School](#)

Dates for your calendar:

Arno Vale Junior School Diary Dates	
2026	
Monday 30 th March to Friday 10 th April	Easter holiday
Monday 13 th April	Return to school
Monday 4 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 11 th May to Thursday 14 th May	Y6 SATs week
Tuesday 19 th May	Class, team and Y6 leavers photos
Thursday 21 st May	Y3 trip to Cresswell Crag
Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May	Half term
Thursday 18 th June	School Games afternoon (sports day)
Monday 22 nd June	M&M Productions Jungle Book (in school)
Tuesday 23 rd June	Back up School Games afternoon
Thursday 25 th June and Friday 26 th June	Arnold Hill Y6-7 transition days
Friday 26 th June	Moving up morning (new classes)
Wednesday 1 st July	Dukes Barn 2027 meeting (for current Y3 parents)
Wednesday 1 st July	New parent meeting (for current Y2 parents)
Friday 3 rd July	Inset day
Friday 10 th July	FOAV summer fair
Tuesday 14 th July	Y6 performance
Wednesday 15 th July	Y6 performance
Wednesday 22 nd July	Y6 leavers' foam party
Friday 24 th July	Last day of term
Date TBC	Y3/4 Minecraft workshops
Date TBC	FOAV Disco
Tuesday 1st September 2026	Inset Day
Wednesday 2nd September 2026	Inset Day
Wednesday 14 th to Friday 16 th October 2026	Wiltersley Castle Y6 Residential
2027	
Monday 18 th to Friday 22 nd January 2027	Dukes Barn Y4 Residential
Monday 22nd February 2027	Inset Day
Friday 2nd July 2027	Inset Day
Wednesday 28th July 2027	Inset Day

Community news and events:

Please see the website for information about holiday clubs, activities, events, messages from other schools, SEND support and family support.

Note: We've just uploaded a 10% discount code for 'Clip n Climb'.

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