

Bulletin: Friday 10th January 2025

Happy New Year and Welcome Back

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break. As we begin this term, we'd like to remind you of the updates to our leadership structure:

Mr. Rossington will be working Monday to Wednesday.

On Thursday and Friday, Mr. Baker (<u>cbaker@arnovale.notts.sch.uk</u>) will serve as
Acting Headteacher for the rest of this academic year, with Miss Oates
(<u>loates@arnovale.notts.sch.uk</u>) taking on the role of Acting Deputy Headteacher.

We're looking forward to another fantastic term ahead!

STEM workshops

Yesterday, children in years 5 and 6 took part in The Defence Nuclear Enterprise's EKO Robotics Challenge delivered by Hyett Education. During the workshops, the children built and coded robots to complete a range of missions linked to various STEM themes. The challenges involved lots of teamwork, problem-solving, creative thinking and coding/cyber skills. This program also aims to create a greater awareness of career opportunities that are aligned to STEM, some of which the children may not have been aware of before.













Thursday lunch

Thank you for your understanding regarding the change we had to make to lunch arrangements on Thursday. This was due to the fact that our catering staff were in attendance at the funeral of a former colleague who recently passed away.

In assembly this week, we celebrated the following:

Birthdays:

Stars of the week (lots of independence this week as it links to our current class challenge):

3 Grey – Meredith and Dhilan for curiosity and for determination

3 White – Ellie for independence and Soloman for determination

4 Orange – Stanley and Haaniyah-Noor for independence and determination

4 Yellow – Ciaran and Caitlin for independence and determination

5 Green – Dylan for curiosity and determination and Katy for determination and independence

5 Red – Eliza for determination and independence and Grace for determination

6 Blue – Iona and Emily S for independence

6 Purple – Iris and Matylda for curiosity and determination

Mr Baker's special mention for catching people being kind:

Amelia T and Ava W in 4 Yellow for looking after someone when they hurt themselves.

TTRS

This week's class champions are:

Miss Oates/Miss I's maths group - Amen

6 Baker - Deniz

Miss Fallon's maths group - Matylda

5 Baker - Isla

5 Red - Faris

5 Green - Shanzay

4 Yellow - Adrian

4 Orange - Ben

3 White - Harvey

3 Grey - Daphne

The winning class is 4 Orange with 100% of the class logging on and playing - wow!

Out of school achievements - well done for your determination:

Stanley worked hard to achieve his Stage 5 swimming certificate.





Academy conversion

We have had further notification this week from the Local Authority that we will be officially joining the White Hills Park trust on 1st May 2025. We are very excited about this and there is a lot of work going on behind the scenes to make the transition as smooth as possible.

One of the changes that you will see is to the payment system you use for school meals, Club Vale and trips and residentials. We will cease to use ParentPay over the next few weeks and instead we will be using a system called My Child At School (MCAS). This will appear as an app on your device. We are hoping that you will find this easy to use and we will be providing you more information over the next couple of weeks.

Messages from the office:

Today is the deadline for the final payment installment for the Y4 Dukes Barn residential. Also, if you haven't already done so, please can you hand in the parental consent form to Mrs Blakemore or Miss Jones by the end of the day on Monday.

Diary dates:

| Arno Vale Junior School Diary Dates 2024 to 2025 | |
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| Mon, 20th Jan to Fri, 24th Jan | Year 4 to Dukes Barn |
| Mon, 17th Feb to Fri, 21st Feb 25 | Half term holiday |
| Monday, 24th February 25 | Inset day |
| Tuesday, 25th February 25 | Return to school |
| Tuesday, 4th March 25 | Parent's consultation meeting – 3.40pm to 6.30pm |
| Wednesday, 5 th March 25 | Parent's consultation meeting – 3.40pm to 6.30pm |
| Thursday, 6 th March 25 | Parent's consultation meeting – 3.40pm to 6.30pm |
| Thursday, 6 th March 25 | World Book Day |
| Mon, 7th Apr to Mon. 21st Apr 25 | Easter holiday |
| Tuesday, 22 nd April 25 | Return to school |
| Monday, 5th May 25 | May Day bank holiday |
| Mon, 12th May to Thu, 15th May 25 | Y6 SATs week |
| Thursday, 22 nd May 25 | Y3 trip to Cresswell Crags for a stoneage experience |
| Mon, 26th May to Fri 30th May 25 | Half term |
| Thursday, 19 th June 25 | School Games afternoon |
| Tuesday, 24th June 25 | Back up School Games afternoon |
| Friday, 4th July 25 | Inset day |
| Tuesday, 15 th July 25 | Y6 performance |
| Wednesday, 16th July 25 | Y6 performance |
| Friday, 18 th July 25 | FOAV summer fair |
| Tuesday, 22 nd July 25 | Y6 leavers' festival |
| Friday, 25th July 25 | Last day of term |

Community news:

